



SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

PROVIDE TECHNICAL SUPPORT FOR SCAQMD MEASUREMENTS RELATED TO THE COACHELLA VALLEY

#P2016-18

South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) requests proposals for the following purpose according to terms and conditions attached. In the preparation of this Request for Proposals (RFP) the words "Proposer," "Contractor," "Consultant," "Bidder" and "Firm" are used interchangeably.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this RFP is to solicit proposals from potential qualified contractors, with specific knowledge and significant experience, to provide technical support to SCAQMD related to the implementation, operation and maintenance of meteorological and air quality monitoring related to SCAQMD objectives the Coachella Valley portion of the Salton Sea Air Basin. This network is used by SCAQMD to improve particulate matter forecasting and analysis of windblown dust events in the Coachella Valley, the analysis of odors from the Salton Sea, and other air quality analyses. The contract will include field support and data management tasks, which may include: site acquisition efforts; field installation, testing, calibration and maintenance of meteorological and air quality instrumentation; data validation; data access; and technical or scientific analyses and reporting in support of SCAQMD efforts.

It is anticipated that the consultant will be reimbursed on a Time and Materials (T&M) basis for work performed on an as-needed basis. Due to the indefinite nature of the work, the actual scope of work and total contract amount cannot be fully determined at this time. Note that the evaluations of technical proposals and costs will be largely based on a sample work plan prepared with tasks designed to match anticipated efforts for this project. Since the bids based on the sample work plan may not completely match the actual effort, SCAQMD reserves the right to adjust the contract award cost and scope of work to best reflect anticipated needs, based on the T&M rates provided in the bid.

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SECTION I: BACKGROUND/INFORMATION

For over 25 years, SCAQMD has been monitoring air quality and meteorological conditions in the Coachella Valley portion of the Salton Sea Air Basin, at Palm Springs and Indio, in addition to the monitoring in the South Coast Air Basin. Starting in 1995, SCAQMD implemented a small network of supplemental wind stations in the Coachella Valley to support high-wind forecasting for SCAQMD Rule 403.1: Wind Entrainment of Fugitive Dust. This project has since been expanded to provide sufficient meteorological data to provide weather information in specific areas of the Valley and to sustain high-wind analyses related to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) rule regarding the treatment of air quality data influenced by exceptional events. These analyses are critical to the ongoing progress toward attainment of the federal particulate matter standards in the Coachella Valley, in spite of the high-wind natural events that occur in this area. In addition, improved meteorological and air quality data strengthens analyses for compliance issues and other projects in the Coachella Valley, including the analyses of air pollutant transport from the South Coast Air Basin and other areas. SCAQMD also monitors hydrogen sulfide (H₂S) in the Coachella Valley and uses local wind data as part of a warning system for odors from the Salton Sea. The Coachella Valley is currently designated by U.S. EPA as non-attainment for both the ozone and PM₁₀ particulate matter national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS).

The site locations directly related to this effort are in Riverside County, California, primarily in the Coachella Valley portion of the Salton Sea Air Basin and in the Banning/San Geronimo Pass. Current instrumented site locations in the Coachella Valley include:

- meteorological stations at Desert Hot Springs, Palm Desert, Mecca, and the Whitewater Wash Blowsand Area (near Cathedral City);
- SCAQMD routine air quality and meteorological monitoring stations at Palm Springs and Indio;
- H₂S measurements at Mecca and a site near the Salton Sea shoreline.

Additional stations may be installed, at SCAQMD's discretion, depending upon need, location availability and funding for equipment and support. If there are related instruments, data management or analysis issues, support for the SCAQMD stations in the South Coast Air Basin may also be involved in this effort.

This contract will provide technical support to assist SCAQMD with the implementation, operation and maintenance of SCAQMD meteorological and air quality monitoring equipment and networks. It may include the technical support for, and analysis of, instrumentation, data, and air quality events throughout SCAQMD's jurisdiction, with primary focus SCAQMD objectives in the Coachella Valley. The contract will cover technical field support, data communications, data management, and scientific analysis support tasks, which may include, but is not limited to, the following:

- new site planning, procurement and preparation;
- instrument evaluations;
- data management system evaluations and implementation;
- evaluation, procurement, and implementation of data communications systems;
- meteorological tower and instrument installations;

- air quality instrument installations;
- site and instrumentation maintenance, including troubleshooting and routine calibrations;
- maintenance of high data retrieval rates of valid data;
- documentation of stations, instrumentation and procedures;
- evaluation and archiving of non-SCAQMD stations that may be used for real-time or historic event analyses;
- data management, including collection, archiving, validation, and reporting of the data;
- near-real-time web-based data access to Rule 403.1 wind conditions for SCAQMD staff and the public;
- access to web-based data and graphic analysis tools for SCAQMD staff;
- support for data accessibility into SCAQMD data management systems and others, possibly including the U.S. EPA Air Quality System (AQS);
- scientific data analysis and documentation support for high-wind particulate matter events and other air quality analyses.

The contractor will provide field and data management support of existing and future meteorological and air quality instrumentation that may include, but is not limited to, the following measurements, along with the accompanying data loggers, communications, and data management systems:

- Meteorological Measurements
 - conventional and possibly sonic anemometers on meteorological towers;
 - pressure;
 - temperature;
 - relative humidity;
 - total solar radiation;
 - ultraviolet solar radiation;
 - precipitation;
 - upper-level measurements with acoustic wind profilers (Sodars), ceilometers, and other equipment that could be deployed in the future, as need and funding allows.
- Air Quality Measurements
 - particle matter monitors, including continuous and filter-based sampling methods;
 - ozone, H₂S, and other gaseous air quality monitors;
 - particle counting instrumentation may also be deployed at some sites to help evaluate wind speed starting thresholds for blowsand movement.

The instrumentation for this project has been, or will be, purchased by SCAQMD, so such monitoring equipment purchases will generally not be part of this contract. However, it is desired that the contractor completely take over communications to the meteorological data loggers at several sites (4 existing and possible future locations), so the cost of the communications equipment and services will be reimbursed through the contract.

SECTION II: CONTACT PERSON:

Questions regarding the content or intent of this RFP or on procedural matters should be addressed to:

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SECTION III: SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Date	Event
Friday, March 4, 2016	RFP Released
Thursday, April 7, 2016	Proposals Due to SCAQMD - No Later Than 1:00 pm
April 7-May 6, 2016	Proposal Evaluations
June 1, 2016	Anticipated Contract Execution

There will not be a Bidder's Conference in conjunction with this RFP. Any questions from prospective bidders or interested parties should be directed to Kevin Durkee, Senior Meteorologist, Planning, Rule Development and Area Sources, (909) 396-3168.

SECTION IV: PARTICIPATION IN THE PROCUREMENT PROCESS

It is the policy of SCAQMD to ensure that all businesses including minority business enterprises, women business enterprises, disabled veteran business enterprises and small businesses have a fair and equitable opportunity to compete for and participate in SCAQMD contracts. Attachment A to this RFP contains definitions and further information.

SECTION V: STATEMENT OF WORK/SCHEDULE OF DELIVERABLES**Statement of Work**

Under direction of the SCAQMD contract coordinator, the Contractor shall provide technical support and assistance to SCAQMD staff related to the planning, implementation, operation and maintenance of meteorological and air quality monitoring networks and systems. The primary focus of this effort will be on measurements in the Coachella Valley; however, where

measurements in other areas affect analyses in the Coachella Valley this support may be expanded to those areas. The contract effort will include field support and data management support tasks, as well as evaluation, analysis, and reporting. Contractor shall be responsible for coordinating with SCAQMD staff, and, as required, other entities, such as property owners/managers and other government agencies for access, permits, etc. Contractor shall follow all safety and security requirements mandated by the station property owner/manager and SCAQMD staff. Contractor shall provide proof of automobile and liability insurance to SCAQMD prior to commencing work and contractor shall comply with any additional requirements imposed by the property owner/manager while working on that property. It is anticipated that this effort will be on a time and materials basis, under guidance of the SCAQMD project coordinator for the contract based on SCAQMD needs and available funding.

Task 1: Field Support

Contractor shall provide field support of meteorological and air quality instrumentation. While the main emphasis of this effort is to provide meteorological measurements in support of particulate matter analyses and forecasts, field support of air quality measurements may also be needed, including existing and potential future particulate measurements and support of other air quality monitoring, as needed. Existing and planned wind measurements will include both conventional and sonic wind sensors on meteorological towers with data loggers. Other meteorological sensors, such as pressure, temperature, relative humidity, total solar radiation, ultraviolet radiation, and precipitation are, or may be, deployed at some locations. Support for air quality measurements may involve particulate matter instrumentation, as well as ozone and related precursor or speciation sampling. Technical support for hydrogen sulfide (H₂S) measurements related to Salton Sea odors may also be included in this contract. Particle counting instrumentation may be deployed at some locations.

If funding allows, upper level remote sensing instruments may also be deployed, for example, an acoustic wind profiler (Sodar), a ceilometer, or a microwave radiometer, therefore related experience is desirable. The instrumentation for this project has been, or will be, purchased by SCAQMD, so such monitoring equipment purchases will generally not be part of this contract. However, it is desired that the contractor completely take over communications to the meteorological data loggers at several sites, so the cost of the communications equipment and services will be reimbursed through the contract. Contractor shall provide the appropriate instruments, tools and equipment needed to perform the field support.

The current site locations related to this effort are in Riverside County, California, primarily in the Coachella Valley and in the nearby Banning/San Geronio Pass area. Existing site locations include the wind stations at Desert Hot Springs, Palm Desert, Mecca, and the Whitewater Wash Blowsand Area (near Cathedral City), as well as the SCAQMD air monitoring stations at Palm Springs, Indio. H₂S measurements are currently being conducted at Mecca and a near-shore location at the northern edge of the Salton Sea. Stations may be relocated and additional sites may be installed, depending upon SCAQMD needs, location availability, and funding for equipment and support.

The contractor's office space will be primarily used for preparations for field efforts. Field work will be performed by the contractor, often without SCAQMD staff assistance in the field. Site work that involves installing, raising or lowering of towers or masts will likely require a minimum of two of contractor's personnel on-site. Safety of personnel will be a top priority and climbing of SCAQMD towers will be prohibited.

The field support will include contractor efforts with most aspects of operating and maintaining the meteorological monitoring program, with additional support of the air quality programs as needed. Established practices and procedures shall be employed, including adherence to appropriate U.S. Environmental Protection Agency monitoring guidance. For the field support task, the consultant support may include, but is not limited to, the following:

- new site planning, procurement and preparation;
- instrument evaluations and testing;
- data system and data communications evaluation, implementation, and optimization;
- meteorological tower and instrument installations;
- air quality instrument installations;
- site and instrumentation and maintenance, including routine operations and calibrations and non-routine troubleshooting and repairs;
- maintenance of high data retrieval rates of valid data;
- documentation of stations, instrumentation, and procedures;
- evaluation of non-SCAQMD stations that may be used for real-time or historic event analyses.

Some specific efforts that are currently planned for Task 1: Field Support, as funding allows under the scope of this contract include the following:

1.1 Provide Routine Maintenance of Currently Operating SCAQMD Coachella Valley Stations

Contractor shall provide monthly (minimum) routine maintenance to current monitoring stations in the Coachella Valley, as listed above. In addition, up to three sites may be installed in or near the Coachella Valley during the contract effort, with monthly routine maintenance visits required for each of these as they are installed. The currently existing stations are: Whitewater Wash Blowsand Area, Desert Hot Springs, Mecca – Saul Martinez Elementary School, and Palm Desert. Possible stations proposed for future installations include locations in or near the following cities: Sun City Palm Desert, North Palm Springs, and a near-shore location close to the Salton Sea. The routine field work includes:

- visual site inspections;
- back-up of collected data;
- identification and resolution of problems, including:
 - a. basic repairs,
 - b. troubleshooting of electronics, computers, data loggers, and communications,
 - c. removal and replacement of sensors or parts,
 - d. coordination with manufacturers through existing repair agreements;
- adjustments of operating parameters or data logger calculations as approved by SCAQMD, including the measured variables and averaging schemes;
- logging and documenting the station status, problems and resolutions and reporting to SCAQMD staff.

1.2 Provide Non-Routine or Emergency Site Visits

Contractor shall provide non-routine or emergency site visits as needed to resolve critical problems at all operational stations. In many situations, such as during a potential air quality event or intensive field operation period, a rapid response will be needed.

1.3 Equipment Upgrades and Replacements at Current Stations

Consultant shall conduct planned upgrades, repairs and equipment replacements, including upgrades to sensors or instruments, data loggers, communications systems, and power at the monitoring stations. The testing and upgrade work may also be considered at the regular SCAQMD air monitoring stations at Indio, Palm Springs, and Banning Airport, as well as the H₂S monitoring locations. The upgrades and replacements at each station will likely include:

- replacing cabling and between data loggers and meteorological sensors;
- calibrating, installing, aligning and testing meteorological instruments and, possibly, some air quality instrumentation;
- choosing, testing, installing and operating data communications and automated polling (this function will be turned over to the contractor and the contractor will be responsible for providing data in near-real time to the SCAQMD ftp site);
- upgrading data loggers and optimizing data logger programming.

1.4 Research, Planning and Preparation for Additional Measurements

Consultant shall assist SCAQMD staff with the research, planning and preparation for up to three new, suitable monitoring stations, as determined by SCAQMD needs and funding. This effort shall involve consultant's time and travel to research, locate and visit potential sites in the Coachella Valley and to assist coordination of site acquisition between SCAQMD staff and property owners and permitting agencies.

1.5 Installation of the New Meteorological Stations

Consultant shall coordinate the installation any new stations approved by SCAQMD. Current possibilities for these include locations in or near Sun City-Palm Desert, North Palm Springs, or the northern shores of the Salton Sea. All or part of the following equipment may be installed at each location and other instrumentation may also be deployed, as needed and funding allows:

- 10-meter, tilt-base tower or tripod, or other as circumstances dictate;
- RM Young 3-axis sonic anemometer, or similar;
- RM Young Model 05103 Wind Monitor conventional anemometer, or similar;
- Met One Instruments Model 090D barometric pressure sensor, or similar;
- Vaisala HMP-45 temperature/relative humidity sensor in an aspirated shield, or similar;
- LI-COR Model LI200X-L50 Pyranometer, or similar;
- Eppley TUVR Total Ultraviolet Radiation sensor, or similar;
- Campbell Scientific CR1000 or Model 23X data logger, or similar;
- Sensit Model H11B Eroding Mass Flux Sensor;
- site power, as needed;
- data communications;
- acoustic wind profiler (Sodar), microwave radiometer, or ceilometer;

- particulate measurements, which may include continuous monitors or filter-based samplers as determined to best meet SCAQMD needs
- other air quality measurements, as needed.

1.6 Meteorological Sensor and Station Component Testing

Consultant shall establish a test facility to test meteorological sensors and other station components, including data loggers, power systems, and communications. Consultant will thoroughly test new or problematic meteorological station components against traceable standards prior to field deployment and communicate findings in written reports. Also, SCAQMD has occasionally had inconsistent results with some sensors and data logger components and may want to further evaluate these issues. In addition, Consultant may be asked to test and evaluate meteorological systems, primarily wind sensors, used by other companies and agencies for compliance with SCAQMD Rule 403.1 and other SCAQMD interests. Consultant may also be asked to assist the evaluation of the measurement requirements for future SCAQMD rule revisions.

Task 2: Data Management and Analysis Support

As funding allows, the contractor will provide support to SCAQMD with data management related to the SCAQMD Coachella Valley monitoring, possibly including efforts that may include the broader SCAQMD routine air monitoring network and measurements conducted by other entities. Examples of the contracted data support efforts include:

- data management, including collection, archiving, validation, and reporting of the data;
- preparation of network statistics, data summaries, and combined data analyses;
- web-based data access to Rule 403.1 wind conditions for the public, in near-real time;
- web-based access to validated historical data;
- access to web-based data and graphic analysis tools for SCAQMD staff, in near-real time;
- support for data accessibility and integration into SCAQMD data management systems and other systems, possibly including the U.S. EPA Air Quality System (AQS);
- data analysis and documentation support for high-wind particulate matter events, H₂S odor events, ozone transport, and other air quality analyses;
- preparation of project and data management documentation, including station metadata.

Some specific efforts for Task 2: Data Management Support that are currently planned as funding allows under the scope of this contract include the following:

2.1 Provide Routine Data Management Support

Consultant shall provide routine data management support of SCAQMD meteorological and air quality data. The data management effort will involve, at a minimum, automatic data polling and automated data screening, along with routine visual checks of the data to ensure instrument operation and data reasonableness. An important goal of this project is a very high rate of valid data capture. The Contractor shall review the meteorological data for potential problems on an ongoing basis and provide level 1.0 validated data to SCAQMD on a periodic basis, probably every month, as agreed between the Contractor and the SCAQMD project coordinator. At SCAQMD's

discretion, the screening tools and other software developed by the Contractor and employed for the data management effort shall be provided to SCAQMD.

Most data will be telemetered directly from the operating stations to contractor's location, using communications provide by the contractor, while other data will be collected by SCAQMD and made available via FTP or other method. This will initially be for the currently operating stations, with the new stations added when operational. The consultant shall make current and historical data available from the SCAQMD Coachella Valley monitoring via a web-page accessible to the public and approved by SCAQMD. The web page may also be transferred to SCAQMD for hosting on the SCAQMD web page. Consultant will also recommend data averaging periods and methodologies to be employed for the measurements, to best meet SCAQMD's goals, based on periodic reviews of the data and SCAQMD needs and objectives.

2.2 Field Project Documentation

Consultant shall assist in the preparation or compilation of field project support documentation for the SCAQMD stations and network. Much of this has already been completed to varying degrees through previous or ongoing efforts, so the effort will mostly involve compiling and finalizing documentation. The project support documentation will likely include the following:

- standard operating and measurement procedures;
- a compilation of field instruments and available spare parts, with serial numbers and locations;
- a compilation of instrument manuals (available from SCAQMD and/or manufacturer);
- site analyses for the existing stations (including such things as site photographs, location information and maps, obstruction analyses, suitability for the purpose, etc.);
- assistance to SCAQMD with preparation of related portions of data management and quality assurance project plans.

2.3 Data Analysis and Evaluation of Meteorological Events

Consultant shall assist SCAQMD in the compilation and analysis of meteorological and air quality data, from SCAQMD instruments and other sources, related to meteorological and/or air quality events of interest to SCAQMD, for example, periods of high winds that contribute to PM10 exceedances due to windblown dust.

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- Written progress reports by letter or email (preferred) on a monthly basis, or other period as agreed by the SCAQMD project coordinator, briefly summarizing the efforts and accomplishments of the previous month;
- Periodic updates to the database of the reviewed and validated meteorological data on electronic media on a monthly basis, or other period as agreed by the SCAQMD project coordinator.
- Field project documentation and analyses, when prepared, in electronic form, with SCAQMD comments considered.

Sample Work Plan for RFP #P2016-18

Note: The exact scope of work for this contract cannot be completely determined in advance, since this effort is to provide support to SCAQMD for ongoing efforts involving both existing and pending monitoring, as needed. The objective is to support implementation and ongoing operation and maintenance of the SCAQMD monitoring efforts in the Coachella Valley, in a more efficient manner than can be accomplished with the limited SCAQMD staff availability. The following sample work plan, in conjunction with the above scope of work (Statement of Work/Schedule of Deliverables), is designed to provide a mechanism for the bidder to meet the RFP technical and cost proposal requirements, given the uncertainty of the actual work, and to provide a consistent method of bid comparison. The bid costs associated with the sample work plan are not necessarily intended to be the amount awarded for this contract, but will provide the basis for the contract preparation. The actual contract effort and time may differ significantly, but these example tasks are very likely to be involved in the performance of this contract. Please use this sample work plan to provide project management, staff allocation and cost detail by task for your response to this RFP, particularly as related to SECTION VII: Proposal Submittal Requirements. For a one year period from the start of the contract effort, anticipated to be approximately July 1, 2016, please provide your plan to accomplish this work, the basis of estimates and cost detail, including estimated travel time, anticipated (federal government) mileage rates, travel-related expenses, and other expenses. Also, please provide maximum increases to the rate schedule for the two following 1-year terms. Table 1 summarizes some of the resources estimated for the sample work plan. Please explain any proposed variances or added options from the sample work plan.

Sample Work Plan Task 1: Field Support

1.1 Provide Routine Maintenance of Currently Operating SCAQMD Coachella Valley Meteorological Monitoring Stations

Contractor shall provide monthly routine maintenance to each of the four current meteorological stations in the Coachella Valley and at the two established air quality monitoring stations (possibly on a less frequent basis, since SCAQMD staff provides most routine operations). The installation of additional meteorological stations is anticipated, requiring subsequent maintenance. Outline maintenance plans and itemized costs, including estimated preparation time, travel time from the consultant's base of operations to the Coachella Valley, and time onsite in the cost estimates. This includes the routine maintenance of the following measurements/stations:

- Meteorological stations at **Whitewater Wash** (radio tower site, north of Cathedral City), **Desert Hot Springs** (City Maintenance Yard, near 65810 Hacienda Avenue, Desert Hot Springs), **Mecca** (at Saul Martinez Elementary School¹), and **Palm Desert** (Marriott Shadow Hills Resort, near Shadow Ridge Road, South of Gerald Ford Drive, Palm Desert). Assume conventional anemometer on a 10 meter tower with Campbell Scientific CR1000 data logger, along with temperature/relative humidity sensor in a non-aspirated shield, solar radiation, ultraviolet radiation, and pressure measurements already operational at these stations, as listed in Section 1.5 above);
- Also, include costs to maintain one additional meteorological station for the full annual period. For this bid purpose, it can be assumed that the new station will be located in or near the **Coachella Valley Preserve** blowsand area to the west of Sun City – Palm Desert

¹ Mecca Station Information: <http://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/clean-air-plans/air-quality-monitoring-network-plan/aaqmnp-saul-martinez.pdf?sfvrsn=6>

(north of the 10 Freeway and west of Washington Street). This will be a meteorological station (10 meter tower, wind, temperature, relative humidity, solar radiation, ultraviolet radiation, pressure and precipitation), but 2 Sensit Eroding Mass Flux Sensors will also be deployed to help assess the wind speed starting threshold for windblown dust and sand in the area.

- In addition, perform routine operational maintenance of one Tapered Element Oscillating Microbalance (TEOM) PM10 particulate monitoring instrument and one Teledyne T101 UV Fluorescence H₂S analyzer, both at the Mecca station;
- Meteorological measurements at the routine SCAQMD air quality monitoring stations at **Indio**² and **Palm Springs**³. Assume wind, temperature, relative humidity, and pressure measurements as above at these stations, but with Agilaire 8872 data loggers (or similar), along with inside-shelter temperature measurements. Since these routine air monitoring stations are also routinely visited by SCAQMD staff, quarterly visits can be assumed.

1.2 Provide Non-Routine or Emergency Site Visits

Contractor shall provide non-routine or emergency site visits as needed to resolve critical problems at operational stations. In some situations, such as during a potential air quality event or intensive field operation period, a rapid response may be needed. For the purpose of the proposal, assume there are six such unscheduled individual trips, each requiring two technicians on site, throughout a 1-year period (based on one trip to each of the existing four Coachella Valley supplemental meteorological stations and 2 routine air monitoring stations, not counting the proposed station in the Coachella Valley Preserve near Sun City-Palm Desert). Include itemized travel time, as well as expenses for discovery and technical repair work that takes 4-hours on-site for each of 2 technicians, per visit. For simplicity, the bidder may use the Palm Desert (Shadow Ridge Resort) station location to determine all travel costs.

1.3 Equipment Upgrades and Replacements at Current Meteorological Stations

Consultant shall repair or replace and upgrade meteorological sensors, communications and power at the four currently operating meteorological stations (Whitewater Wash, Desert Hot Springs, Mecca, and Palm Desert). Assume that the field work requires a minimum of two of consultant's personnel on-site to: (1) replace, calibrate and orient both sonic and conventional anemometers on 10- meter, tilt-base towers or tripods; (2) install and calibrate temperature and relative humidity sensors; (3) replace cabling and data loggers; and (4) install and test new solar power and back-up power options; and (5) acquire, test, install and implement new data communications systems, as chosen by the contractor, along with data polling from the Campbell Scientific CR1000 data loggers. Please include itemization of estimated travel costs, preparation time and on-site labor, as well as the cost for communications equipment and services provided by the contractor and reimbursed through the contract.

1.4 Research, Planning and Preparation for New Stations

Consultant shall assist SCAQMD staff with the research, planning and preparation for new, suitable meteorological stations. For this bid purpose, it can be assumed that one new station will be located in or near the Coachella Valley Preserve blowsand area near Sun City – Palm Desert. This will be primarily a meteorological station (10 meter tower, conventional wind monitor,

² Indio Station Information: <http://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/clean-air-plans/air-quality-monitoring-network-plan/aaqmnp-indio.pdf?sfvrsn=6>

³ Palm Springs Station Information: <http://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/clean-air-plans/air-quality-monitoring-network-plan/aaqmnp-palmsprings.pdf?sfvrsn=6>

temperature, relative humidity, solar radiation, ultraviolet radiation, pressure and precipitation). In addition, two Sensit Eroding Mass Flux Sensors will also be deployed to help assess the wind speed starting threshold for windblown dust and sand.

This effort will involve consultant's time and travel to research, visit and document potential sites in the Coachella Valley and to assist coordination of site acquisition between SCAQMD staff and property owners or land managers. Assume that this will involve two separate trips, with additional time likely needed both for preparations and communications with contacts and SCAQMD staff prior to and after each trip. Include itemized travel costs, for each trip.

1.5 Installation of New Station

Consultant shall install and implement new meteorological stations, when needed to meet objectives and as funding allows. For bid purposes, assume that this task will involve installing one additional new station, as described in the above section, and that the field work requires a minimum of two of consultant's personnel on-site to: (1) assist with erection of a 10-meter triangular-lattice meteorological tower; (2) install power and cabling for the data logger and instruments; (3) install, calibrate and orient both sonic and conventional anemometers; (4) install and calibrate barometric pressure, temperature and relative humidity, solar radiation, ultraviolet radiation and precipitation sensors; (5) install two Sensit Eroding Mass Flux Sensor instruments to determine sand movement; (6) install solar power and battery backup systems; (7) install and initialize the data logger and data communications. Include estimated travel costs and time for preparation and on-site labor in the itemization.

1.6 Meteorological Sensor and Station Component Testing

Consultant shall establish a test facility to test meteorological sensors and other station components, including data loggers, power systems, and communications. Consultant will thoroughly test new or problematic meteorological station components against traceable standards prior to field deployment and report findings in written reports. SCAQMD has occasionally had inconsistent results with some sensors and data logger components and may also want to further evaluate such issues. In addition, various commercially available wind sensors may be tested for potential use by construction projects and agricultural interests for local wind gust measurements related to SCAQMD Rule 403.1. For the purpose of preparing the cost proposal, provide estimated costs to establish the test facility at an appropriate location chosen by the bidder and test three different wind speed/direction sensors (provided by SCAQMD) over a 3-week period, including, for the purpose of the sample work plan bid, a Met One Model 1564D/1565D cup & vane anemometer and an R.M Young Wind Monitor Model 05103-5 with Campbell Scientific Model CR1000 data loggers, along with a Davis Vantage Pro2 weather station for potential construction site use.

Sample Work Plan Task 2: Data Management Support

2.1 Provide Routine Data Management Support

Consultant shall provide routine data management support throughout the contract period of all meteorological data telemetered from the operating sites into contractor's location. This will initially be for the four operational meteorological stations, plus the SCAQMD Indio and Palm Springs stations, with new stations added when operational. Data from the four surface meteorological stations and any new stations added will be provided by the consultant to the

SCAQMD ftp site in near-real time, using communications with the Campbell Scientific CR1000 data loggers as chosen and operated by the consultant (communications costs reimbursed through the contract). Data from the remaining SCAQMD air monitoring stations can be provided to the consultant via the SCAQMD ftp site in near-real-time time.

The consultant shall make current and historical meteorological and air quality data available from the SCAQMD Coachella Valley monitoring stations via a web-page accessible to the public and approved by SCAQMD. For purpose of this bid, assume that this effort is based on a 7-site operational network (5 meteorological stations and 2 routine SCAQMD air monitoring stations), but the system should be expandable for additional stations as other data can be made available. For preparation of this bid, please include itemized development costs for the data management system and web access.

Under this task the consultant will also recommend data averaging periods and methodologies to be employed for all the SCAQMD measurements in the Coachella Valley, based on monitoring standards, requirements, and SCAQMD needs. The data management effort will also involve, at a minimum, automatic data screening and routine visual checks of the data to ensure instrument operation and data reasonableness. The bidder should suggest the schedule and level of validation effort for this task and provide the itemized basis for the staffing and cost estimates.

2.2 Field Project Documentation

Consultant shall assist in the preparation or compilation of field project support documentation for the SCAQMD meteorological stations and network. Much of this has already been completed to varying degrees through previous or ongoing efforts, so the effort will mostly involve compiling, updating, and finalizing the documentation. For the purpose of preparing the cost proposal, it can be assumed that this effort would be completed in one week, with the appropriate personnel, as recommended by the bidder.

2.3 Data Analysis and Evaluation of Meteorological Events

Consultant shall assist SCAQMD in the compilation and analysis of meteorological and air quality data from SCAQMD instruments and other sources, related to meteorological and air quality events of interest to SCAQMD, for example, high-wind PM10 events. For the purpose of preparing the cost proposal, it can be assumed that this effort can be completed in 80 hours by one appropriate professional, scientific staff assigned to compile and analyze the data and write a detailed report evaluating a high wind natural event that contributed to an exceedance of the federal PM10 standard due to windblown dust in the Coachella Valley. This effort will assist SCAQMD staff with preparing documentation for submittal to the California Air Resources Board (CARB) and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA).

Table 1: Summary of Resources Specified for the 1-Year Sample Work Plan

Task		Minimum Number of Personnel*	Minimum Time On-Site per Visit or Task	Estimated Minimum Annual Number of Field Location Visits or Sites*
1.1	Routine Field Maintenance	1**	(please provide estimate)	12 monthly visits per site for 5 current & 1 proposed meteorological station and 4 quarterly visits for 2 SCAQMD air quality monitoring stations
1.2	Non-Routine Maintenance	2	4 Hours per visit	6 separate visits
1.3	Equipment Upgrades	2	(please provide estimate)	4 visits, each to a different meteorological station
1.4	New Station Preparations	1	8 hours each visit	2
1.5	New Station Installations	2	(please provide estimate)	1
1.6	Component Testing	1	(please provide estimate)	N/A (or depending on test facility location)
2.1	Routine Data Management Support	1	(please provide estimate)	N/A
2.2	Project Documentation	1	1 week (40 hours) for task	N/A
2.3	Data Evaluation and Analysis of Meteorological Events	1	2 weeks (80 hours for task)	N/A

* Estimated minimum number of personnel needed and number of field visits over a one-year period are provided as guidance for preparing the cost proposal and may not represent the actual effort under the final contract. Estimate and itemize appropriate preparation, travel and task labor hours and rates needed for various project personnel in the cost proposal, as well as project management, overhead, travel time, related travel expenses, and other expenses.

** Note that when routine field maintenance requires raising or lowering 10-meter tilt-based towers or tripod masts, as used at the meteorological stations, a second person will be needed for assistance.

Please explain any deviations from the table values.

SECTION VI: REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS

- A. Persons or firms proposing to bid on this proposal must be qualified and experienced in supporting and advising governmental agencies and must submit qualifications demonstrating technical and scientific expertise in the planning, operations, data management and scientific analysis of meteorological and air quality measurement networks. SCAQMD requests submittal of detailed expertise and capabilities from consultants who meet a combination of the technical qualifications listed below. Persons or firms can team to submit a joint bid if they have complementary expertise and qualifications that collectively meet the requirements. Statements of qualifications should include evidence documenting experience, expertise, and capabilities wherever possible.

Bidder(s) shall be selected for contract award based on the best combinations of qualifications and experience. Persons or firms who bid on this RFP must possess qualifications, education and experience related to the implementation and management of meteorological and air quality measurement stations and networks, including instrumentation and data systems for governmental regulatory agencies. Bidders must submit qualifications demonstrating this ability in cases involving the following areas: (1) installation, operation, maintenance, and calibration of various surface, tower-mounted, and aloft meteorological and air quality measurement systems; (2) management, validation and dissemination of data from meteorological and air quality instrumentation and networks; (3) technical evaluation and operation of electronic instruments and data systems, including computer hardware and software, data loggers, data communications systems, and data management and archival systems; (4) design and production of web pages and the graphical displays of near-real-time and historical air quality and meteorological data; (5) scientific data analysis and reporting of combined meteorological and air quality measurements, including data used to support regulatory decision making, such as U.S. EPA Exceptional Event Rule analyses. Generally, contractor shall provide their own vehicles and the appropriate instruments, tools and equipment needed to perform the field support.

- B. Proposer must submit the following:
1. Resumes or similar statement of qualifications of person or persons who may be designated as lead or key staff designated for this project.
 2. List of representative clients.
 3. Summary of proposer's general qualifications to meet required qualifications and fulfill statement of work, including additional personnel and resources beyond those of the designated lead or key staff.

SECTION VII: PROPOSAL SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

Submitted proposals must follow the format outlined below and all requested information must be supplied. Failure to submit proposals in the required format will result in elimination from proposal evaluation. SCAQMD may modify the RFP or issue supplementary information or guidelines during the proposal preparation period prior to the due date. Please check our website for updates (<http://www.aqmd.gov/grants-bids>). The cost for developing the proposal is the responsibility of the Contractor, and shall not be chargeable to SCAQMD.

Each proposal must be submitted in three separate volumes:

- Volume I - Technical Proposal
- Volume II - Cost Proposal
- Volume III - Certifications and Representations included in Attachment B to this RFP, must be completed and executed by an authorized official of the Contractor.

A separate cover letter including the name, address, and telephone number of the contractor, and signed by the person or persons authorized to represent the Firm should accompany the proposal submission. Firm contact information as follows should also be included in the cover letter:

1. Address and telephone number of office in, or nearest to, Diamond Bar, California.
2. Name and title of Firm's representative designated as contact.

A separate Table of Contents should be provided for Volumes I and II.

VOLUME I - TECHNICAL PROPOSAL

DO NOT INCLUDE ANY COST INFORMATION IN THE TECHNICAL VOLUME

Summary (Section A) - State overall approach to meeting the objectives and satisfying the scope of work to be performed, the sequence of activities, and a description of methodology or techniques to be used.

Program Schedule (Section B) - Provide projected milestones or benchmarks for completing the project (to include reports) within the total time allowed.

Project Organization (Section C) - Describe the proposed management structure, program monitoring procedures, and organization of the proposed team. Provide a statement detailing your approach to the project, specifically address the Firm's ability and willingness to commit and maintain staffing to successfully complete the project on the proposed schedule.

Qualifications (Section D) - Describe the technical capabilities of the Firm. Provide references of other similar studies or projects performed during the last five years demonstrating ability to successfully complete the work. Include contact name, title, and telephone number for any references listed. Provide a statement of your Firm's background and related experience in performing similar services for other governmental organizations.

Assigned Personnel (Section E) - Provide the following information about the staff to be assigned to this project:

1. List all key personnel assigned to the project by level, name and location. Provide a resume or similar statement describing the background, qualifications and experience of the lead person and all persons assigned to the project. Substitution of project manager or lead personnel will not be permitted without prior written approval of SCAQMD.
2. Provide a spreadsheet of the labor hours proposed for each labor category at the task level.

3. Provide a statement indicating whether or not 90% of the work will be performed within the geographical boundaries of SCAQMD, which includes the Coachella Valley.
4. Provide a statement of education and training programs provided to, or required of, the staff identified for participation in the project, particularly with reference to management consulting, governmental practices and procedures, and technical matters.
5. Provide a summary of your Firm's general qualifications to meet required qualifications and fulfill statement of work, including additional Firm personnel and resources beyond those who may be assigned to the project.

Subcontractors (Section F) - This project may require expertise in multiple technical areas. List any subcontractors that will be used, identifying functions to be performed by them, their related qualifications and experience and the total number of hours or percentage of time they will spend on the project.

Conflict of Interest (Section G) - Address possible conflicts of interest with other clients affected by actions performed by the Firm on behalf of SCAQMD. SCAQMD recognizes that prospective Contractors may be performing similar projects for other clients. Include a complete list of such clients for the past three (3) years with the type of work performed and the total number of years performing such tasks for each client. Although the Proposer will not be automatically disqualified by reason of work performed for such clients, SCAQMD reserves the right to consider the nature and extent of such work in evaluating the proposal.

Additional Data (Section H) - Provide other essential data that may assist in the evaluation of this proposal.

VOLUME II - COST PROPOSAL

Name and Address - The Cost Proposal must list the name and complete address of the Proposer in the upper left-hand corner.

Cost Proposal – SCAQMD anticipates awarding a time and materials contract for work performed. Cost information must be provided as listed below:

1. Detail must be provided by the following categories:
 - A. Labor – The Cost Proposal must list the fully-burdened hourly rates and the total number of hours estimated for each level of professional and administrative staff to be used to perform the tasks required by this RFP. Costs should be estimated for each of the components of the Sample Work Plan. SCAQMD reserves the right to fund all tasks or a subset thereof.
 - B. Subcontractor Costs - List subcontractor costs and identify subcontractors by name. Itemize subcontractor charges per hour or per day.
 - C. Travel Costs - Indicate amount of travel cost and basis of estimate to include trip destination, purpose of trip, length of trip, airline fare or mileage expense, per diem costs, lodging and car rental.
 - D. Other Direct Costs -This category may include such items as postage and mailing expense, printing and reproduction costs, etc. Provide a basis of estimate for these costs. *The cost of providing data communications hardware, software and services to the 4 existing meteorological stations should be included.*

2. It is the policy of the SCAQMD to receive at least as favorable pricing, warranties, conditions, benefits and terms as other customers or clients making similar purchases or receiving similar services. SCAQMD will give preference, where appropriate, to vendors who certify that they will provide "most favored customer" status to the SCAQMD. To receive preference points, Proposer shall certify that SCAQMD is receiving "most favored customer" pricing in the Business Status Certifications page of Volume III, Attachment B – Certifications and Representations.

VOLUME III - CERTIFICATIONS AND REPRESENTATIONS (see Attachment B to this RFP)

SECTION VIII: PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

All proposals must be submitted according to specifications set forth in the section above, and this section. Failure to adhere to these specifications may be cause for rejection of the proposal.

Signature - All proposals must be signed by an authorized representative of the Proposer.

Due Date - All proposals are due no later than 1:00 p.m., Thursday, April 7, 2016, and should be directed to:

Procurement Unit
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765-4178
(909) 396-3520

Submittal - Submit five (5) complete copies of the proposal in a sealed envelope, plainly marked in the upper left-hand corner with the name and address of the Proposer and the words "Request for Proposals #P2016-18."

Late bids/proposals will not be accepted under any circumstances.

Grounds for Rejection - A proposal may be immediately rejected if:

- It is not prepared in the format described, or
- It is signed by an individual not authorized to represent the Firm.

Modification or Withdrawal - Once submitted, proposals cannot be altered without the prior written consent of SCAQMD. All proposals shall constitute firm offers and may not be withdrawn for a period of ninety (90) days following the last day to accept proposals.

SECTION IX: PROPOSAL EVALUATION/CONTRACTOR SELECTION CRITERIA

- A. Proposals will be evaluated by a panel of three to five SCAQMD staff members familiar with the subject matter of the project. The panel shall be appointed by the Executive Officer or his designee. In addition, the evaluation panel may include such outside public sector or academic community expertise as deemed desirable by the Executive Officer. The panel

will make a recommendation to the Executive Officer and/or the Governing Board of SCAQMD for final selection of a contractor and negotiation of a contract.

- B. Each member of the evaluation panel shall be accorded equal weight in his or her rating of proposals. The evaluation panel members shall evaluate the proposals according to the specified criteria and numerical weightings set forth below.

1. Proposal Evaluation Criteria

(a) R&D Projects Requiring Technical or Scientific Expertise, or Special Projects Requiring Unique Knowledge or Abilities

Understanding the Problem/Scope of Work	10
Technical/Management Approach	20
Contractor Qualifications	20
Previous Experience on Similar Projects	20
Cost	<u>30</u>
TOTAL	100

(b) Additional Points

Small Business or Small Business Joint Venture	10
DVBE or DVBE Joint Venture	10
Use of DVBE or Small Business Subcontractors	7
Low-Emission Vehicle Business	5
Local Business (Non-Federally Funded Projects Only)	5
Off-Peak Hours Delivery Business	2
Most Favored Customer	2

The cumulative points awarded for small business, DVBE, use of small business or DVBE subcontractors, low-emission vehicle business, local business, and off-peak hours delivery business shall not exceed 15 points.

Self-Certification for Additional Points

The award of these additional points shall be contingent upon Proposer completing the Self-Certification section of Attachment B – Certifications and Representations and/or inclusion of a statement in the proposal self-certifying that Proposer qualifies for additional points as detailed above.

2. To receive additional points in the evaluation process for the categories of Small Business or Small Business Joint Venture, DVBE or DVBE Joint Venture or Local Business (for non-federally funded projects), the proposer must submit a self-certification or certification from the State of California Office of Small Business Certification and Resources at the time of proposal submission certifying that the

proposer meets the requirements set forth in Section III. To receive points for the use of DVBE and/or Small Business subcontractors, at least 25 percent of the total contract value must be subcontracted to DVBEs and/or Small Businesses. To receive points as a Low-Emission Vehicle Business, the proposer must demonstrate to the Executive Officer, or designee, that supplies and materials delivered to SCAQMD are delivered in vehicles that operate on either clean-fuels or if powered by diesel fuel, that the vehicles have particulate traps installed. To receive points as an Off-Peak Hours Delivery Business, the proposer must submit, at proposal submission, certification of its commitment to delivering supplies and materials to SCAQMD between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. To receive points for Most Favored Customer status, the proposer must submit, at proposal submission, certification of its commitment to provide most favored customer status to the SCAQMD. The cumulative points awarded for small business, DVBE, use of Small Business or DVBE Subcontractors, Local Business, Low-Emission Vehicle Business and Off-Peak Hour Delivery Business shall not exceed 15 points.

The Procurement Section will be responsible for monitoring compliance of suppliers awarded purchase orders based upon use of low-emission vehicles or off-peak traffic hour delivery commitments through the use of vendor logs which will identify the contractor awarded the incentive. The purchase order shall incorporate terms which obligate the supplier to deliver materials in low-emission vehicles or deliver during off-peak traffic hours. The Receiving department will monitor those qualified supplier deliveries to ensure compliance to the purchase order requirements. Suppliers in non-compliance will be subject to a two percent of total purchase order value penalty. The Procurement Manager will adjudicate any disputes regarding either low-emission vehicle or off-peak hour deliveries.

3. For procurement of Research and Development (R & D) projects or projects requiring technical or scientific expertise or special projects requiring unique knowledge and abilities, technical factors including past experience shall be weighted at 70 points and cost shall be weighted at 30 points. A proposal must receive at least 56 out of 70 points on R & D projects and projects requiring technical or scientific expertise or special projects requiring unique knowledge and abilities, in order to be deemed qualified for award.
 4. The lowest cost proposal will be awarded the maximum cost points available and all other cost proposals will receive points on a prorated basis. For example if the lowest cost proposal is \$1,000 and the maximum points available are 30 points, this proposal would receive the full 30 points. If the next lowest cost proposal is \$1,100 it would receive 27 points reflecting the fact that it is 10% higher than the lowest cost (90% of 30 points = 27 points).
- C. During the selection process the evaluation panel may wish to interview some proposers for clarification purposes only. No new material will be permitted at this time. Additional information provided during the bid review process is limited to clarification by the Proposer of information presented in his/her proposal, upon request by SCAQMD.

- D. The Executive Officer or Governing Board may award the contract to a Proposer other than the Proposer receiving the highest rating in the event the Governing Board determines that another Proposer from among those technically qualified would provide the best value to SCAQMD considering cost and technical factors. The determination shall be based solely on the Evaluation Criteria contained in the Request for Proposal (RFP), on evidence provided in the proposal and on any other evidence provided during the bid review process.
- E. Selection will be made based on the above-described criteria and rating factors. The selection will be made by and is subject to Executive Officer or Governing Board approval. Proposers may be notified of the results by letter.
- F. The Governing Board has approved a Bid Protest Procedure which provides a process for a Bidder or prospective Bidder to submit a written protest to SCAQMD Procurement Manager in recognition of two types of protests: Protest Regarding Solicitation and Protest Regarding Award of a Contract. Copies of the Bid Protest Policy can be secured through a request to SCAQMD Procurement Department.
- G. The Executive Officer or Governing Board may award contracts to more than one proposer if in (his or their) sole judgment the purposes of the (contract or award) would best be served by selecting multiple proposers.
- H. If additional funds become available, the Executive Officer or Governing Board may increase the amount awarded. The Executive Officer or Governing Board may also select additional proposers for a grant or contract if additional funds become available.
- I. Disposition of Proposals – Pursuant to SCAQMD's Procurement Policy and Procedure, SCAQMD reserves the right to reject any or all proposals. All proposals become the property of SCAQMD, and are subject to the California Public Records Act. One copy of the proposal shall be retained for SCAQMD files. Additional copies and materials will be returned only if requested and at the proposer's expense.
- J. If proposal submittal is for a Public Works project as defined by State of California Labor Code Section 1720, Proposer is required to include Contractor Registration No. in Attachment B. Proposal submittal will be deemed as non-responsive and Bidder may be disqualified if Contractor Registration No. is not included in Attachment B. Proposer is alerted to changes to California Prevailing Wage compliance requirements as defined in Senate Bill 854 (Stat. 2014, Chapter 28), and California Labor Code Sections 1770, 1771 and 1725. **[Not applicable to this contract]**
- K. PAYMENT BOND (MATERIAL AND LABOR BOND) **[Applicable only if contract exceeds \$25,000 and work is being done to property owned by SCAQMD (Public Works) – Not applicable to this contract]** - Within fourteen days after execution of the Contract by SCAQMD and prior to performing any work under the Contract, the CONTRACTOR shall file with SCAQMD, a payment bond (material and labor bond) in an amount equal to one hundred (100) percent of the contract price, to satisfy claims of material suppliers and of mechanics and laborers employed by the Contractor to perform the work.
 - A. UNSATISFACTORY SURETIES - Should any Surety, at any time, be deemed unsatisfactory by SCAQMD, notice will be given to the Contractor to that effect. No further payments shall be deemed due, or will be made under the Contract until a new Surety shall qualify and be accepted by SCAQMD.

- B. EFFECT OF CHANGES IN THE WORK/EXTENSIONS OF TIME ON THE SURETY - Changes in the work, or extensions of time, made pursuant to the Contract, shall in no way release the Contractor or the Surety from their obligations under the bond. Notice of such changes or extensions shall be waived by the Surety.

SECTION X: FUNDING

The total funding for the work contemplated by this RFP is anticipated to be a maximum of \$60,000 for the base year with an option to extend and add funds to the contract, at SCAQMD's discretion, contingent on funding availability and contractor performance.

SECTION XI: SAMPLE CONTRACT

A sample contract to carry out the work described in this RFP is available on SCAQMD's website at <http://www.aqmd.gov/grants-bids> or upon request from the RFP Contact Person (Section II).

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- A. It is the policy of South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) to ensure that all businesses including minority business enterprises, women business enterprises, disabled veteran business enterprises and small businesses have a fair and equitable opportunity to compete for and participate in SCAQMD contracts.

B. Definitions:

The definition of minority, women or disadvantaged business enterprises set forth below is included for purposes of determining compliance with the affirmative steps requirement described in Paragraph G below on procurements funded in whole or in part with federal grant funds which involve the use of subcontractors. The definition provided for disabled veteran business enterprise, local business, small business enterprise, low-emission vehicle business and off-peak hours delivery business are provided for purposes of determining eligibility for point or cost considerations in the evaluation process.

1. "Women business enterprise" (WBE) as used in this policy means a business enterprise that meets all of the following criteria:
 - a. a business that is at least 51 percent owned by one or more women, or in the case of any business whose stock is publicly held, at least 51 percent of the stock is owned by one or more women.
 - b. a business whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more women.
 - c. a business which is a sole proprietorship, corporation, or partnership with its primary headquarters office located in the United States, which is not a branch or subsidiary of a foreign corporation, foreign firm, or other foreign-based business.
2. "Disabled veteran" as used in this policy is a United States military, naval, or air service veteran with at least 10 percent service-connected disability who is a resident of California.
3. "Disabled veteran business enterprise" (DVBE) as used in this policy means a business enterprise that meets all of the following criteria:
 - a. is a sole proprietorship or partnership of which at least 51 percent is owned by one or more disabled veterans or, in the case of a publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of its stock is owned by one or more disabled veterans; a subsidiary which is wholly owned by a parent corporation but only if at least 51 percent of the voting stock of the parent corporation is owned by one or more disabled veterans; or a joint venture in which at least 51 percent of the joint venture's management and control and earnings are held by one or more disabled veterans.
 - b. the management and control of the daily business operations are by one or more disabled veterans. The disabled veterans who exercise management and control are not required to be the same disabled veterans as the owners of the business.

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- c. is a sole proprietorship, corporation, or partnership with its primary headquarters office located in the United States, which is not a branch or subsidiary of a foreign corporation, firm, or other foreign-based business.
4. "Local business" as used in this policy means a company that has an ongoing business within geographical boundaries of SCAQMD at the time of bid or proposal submittal and performs 90% of the work related to the contract within the geographical boundaries of SCAQMD and satisfies the requirements of subparagraph H below.
5. "Small business" as used in this policy means a business that meets the following criteria:
 - a. 1) an independently owned and operated business; 2) not dominant in its field of operation; 3) together with affiliates is either:
 - A service, construction, or non-manufacturer with 100 or fewer employees, and average annual gross receipts of ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) or less over the previous three years, or
 - A manufacturer with 100 or fewer employees.
 - b. Manufacturer means a business that is both of the following:
 - 1) Primarily engaged in the chemical or mechanical transformation of raw materials or processed substances into new products.
 - 2) Classified between Codes 311000 and 339000, inclusive, of the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) Manual published by the United States Office of Management and Budget, 2007 edition.
6. "Joint ventures" as defined in this policy pertaining to certification means that one party to the joint venture is a DVBE or small business and owns at least 51 percent of the joint venture.
7. "Low-Emission Vehicle Business" as used in this policy means a company or contractor that uses low-emission vehicles in conducting deliveries to SCAQMD. Low-emission vehicles include vehicles powered by electric, compressed natural gas (CNG), liquefied natural gas (LNG), liquefied petroleum gas (LPG), ethanol, methanol, hydrogen and diesel retrofitted with particulate matter (PM) traps.
8. "Off-Peak Hours Delivery Business" as used in this policy means a company or contractor that commits to conducting deliveries to SCAQMD during off-peak traffic hours defined as between 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

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9. "Benefits Incentive Business" as used in this policy means a company or contractor that provides janitorial, security guard or landscaping services to SCAQMD and commits to providing employee health benefits (as defined below in Section VIII.D.2.d) for full time workers with affordable deductible and co-payment terms.
 10. "Minority Business Enterprise" as used in this policy means a business that is at least 51 percent owned by one or more minority person(s), or in the case of any business whose stock is publicly held, at least 51 percent of the stock is owned by one or more or minority persons.
 - a. a business whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more minority persons.
 - b. a business which is a sole proprietorship, corporation, or partnership with its primary headquarters office located in the United States, which is not a branch or subsidiary of a foreign corporation, foreign firm, or other foreign-based business.
 - c. "Minority person" for purposes of this policy, means a Black American, Hispanic American, Native-American (including American Indian, Eskimo, Aleut, and Native Hawaiian), Asian-Indian (including a person whose origins are from India, Pakistan, and Bangladesh), Asian-Pacific-American (including a person whose origins are from Japan, China, the Philippines, Vietnam, Korea, Samoa, Guam, the United States Trust Territories of the Pacific, Northern Marianas, Laos, Cambodia, and Taiwan).
 11. "Most Favored Customer" as used in this policy means that the SCAQMD will receive at least as favorable pricing, warranties, conditions, benefits and terms as other customers or clients making similar purchases or receiving similar services.
 12. "Disadvantaged Business Enterprise" as used in this policy means a business that is an entity owned and/or controlled by a socially and economically disadvantaged individual(s) as described by Title X of the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 7601 note) (10% statute), and Public Law 102-389 (42 U.S.C. 4370d)(8% statute), respectively;
 - a Small Business Enterprise (SBE);
 - a Small Business in a Rural Area (SBRA);
 - a Labor Surplus Area Firm (LSAF); or
 - a Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) Zone Small Business Concern, or a concern under a successor program.
- C. Under Request for Quotations (RFQ), DVBEs, DVBE business joint ventures, small businesses, and small business joint ventures shall be granted a preference in an amount equal to 5% of the lowest cost responsive bid. Low-Emission Vehicle Businesses shall be granted a preference in an amount equal to 5 percent of the lowest cost responsive bid. Off-Peak Hours Delivery Businesses shall be granted a preference in an amount equal to 2 percent of the lowest cost responsive bid. Local businesses (if the procurement is not

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funded in whole or in part by federal grant funds) shall be granted a preference in an amount equal to 2% of the lowest cost responsive bid. Businesses offering Most Favored Customer status shall be granted a preference in an amount equal to 2 percent of the lowest cost responsive bid.

- D. Under Request for Proposals, DVBEs, DVBE joint ventures, small businesses, and small business joint ventures shall be awarded ten (10) points in the evaluation process. A non-DVBE or large business shall receive seven (7) points for subcontracting at least twenty-five (25%) of the total contract value to a DVBE and/or small business. Low-Emission Vehicle Businesses shall be awarded five (5) points in the evaluation process. On procurements which are not funded in whole or in part by federal grant funds local businesses shall receive five (5) points. Off-Peak Hours Delivery Businesses shall be awarded two (2) points in the evaluation process. Businesses offering Most Favored Customer status shall be awarded two (2) points in the evaluation process.
- E. SCAQMD will ensure that discrimination in the award and performance of contracts does not occur on the basis of race, color, sex, national origin, marital status, sexual preference, creed, ancestry, medical condition, or retaliation for having filed a discrimination complaint in the performance of SCAQMD contractual obligations.
- F. SCAQMD requires Contractor to be in compliance with all state and federal laws and regulations with respect to its employees throughout the term of any awarded contract, including state minimum wage laws and OSHA requirements.
- G. When contracts are funded in whole or in part by federal funds, and if subcontracts are to be let, the Contractor must comply with the following, evidencing a good faith effort to solicit disadvantaged businesses. Contractor shall submit a certification signed by an authorized official affirming its status as a MBE or WBE, as applicable, at the time of contract execution. SCAQMD reserves the right to request documentation demonstrating compliance with the following good faith efforts prior to contract execution.
 - 1. Ensure Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs) are made aware of contracting opportunities to the fullest extent practicable through outreach and recruitment activities. For Indian Tribal, State and Local Government recipients, this will include placing DBEs on solicitation lists and soliciting them whenever they are potential sources.
 - 2. Make information on forthcoming opportunities available to DBEs and arrange time frames for contracts and establish delivery schedules, where the requirements permit, in a way that encourages and facilitates participation by DBEs in the competitive process. This includes, whenever possible, posting solicitations for bids or proposals for a minimum of 30 calendar days before the bid or proposal closing date.
 - 3. Consider in the contracting process whether firms competing for large contracts could subcontract with DBEs. For Indian Tribal, State and Local Government recipients, this will include dividing total requirements when economically feasible into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by DBEs in the competitive process.

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4. Encourage contracting with a consortium of DBEs when a contract is too large for one of these firms to handle individually.
 5. Using the services and assistance of the Small Business Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce.
 6. If the prime contractor awards subcontracts, require the prime contractor to take the above steps.
- H. To the extent that any conflict exists between this policy and any requirements imposed by federal and state law relating to participation in a contract by a certified MBE/WBE/DVBE as a condition of receipt of federal or state funds, the federal or state requirements shall prevail.
- I. When contracts are not funded in whole or in part by federal grant funds, a local business preference will be awarded. For such contracts that involve the purchase of commercial off-the-shelf products, local business preference will be given to suppliers or distributors of commercial off-the-shelf products who maintain an ongoing business within the geographical boundaries of SCAQMD. However, if the subject matter of the RFP or RFQ calls for the fabrication or manufacture of custom products, only companies performing 90% of the manufacturing or fabrication effort within the geographical boundaries of SCAQMD shall be entitled to the local business preference.
- J. In compliance with federal fair share requirements set forth in 40 CFR Part 33, SCAQMD shall establish a fair share goal annually for expenditures with federal funds covered by its procurement policy.

ATTACHMENT B

CERTIFICATIONS AND REPRESENTATIONS



South Coast Air Quality Management District

21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765-4178

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Business Information Request

Dear SCAQMD Contractor/Supplier:

South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) is committed to ensuring that our contractor/supplier records are current and accurate. If your firm is selected for award of a purchase order or contract, it is imperative that the information requested herein be supplied in a timely manner to facilitate payment of invoices. In order to process your payments, we need the enclosed information regarding your account. **Please review and complete the information identified on the following pages, remember to sign all documents for our files, and return them as soon as possible to the address below:**

**Attention: Accounts Payable, Accounting Department
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765-4178**

If you do not return this information, we will not be able to establish you as a vendor. This will delay any payments and would still necessitate your submittal of the enclosed information to our Accounting department before payment could be initiated. Completion of this document and enclosed forms would ensure that your payments are processed timely and accurately.

If you have any questions or need assistance in completing this information, please contact Accounting at (909) 396-3777. We appreciate your cooperation in completing this necessary information.

Sincerely,

Michael B. O'Kelly
Chief Financial Officer

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Enclosures: Business Information Request
Disadvantaged Business Certification
W-9
Form 590 Withholding Exemption Certificate
Federal Contract Debarment Certification
Campaign Contributions Disclosure
Direct Deposit Authorization

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South Coast Air Quality Management District

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BUSINESS INFORMATION REQUEST

Business Name	
Division of	
Subsidiary of	
Website Address	
Type of Business <i>Check One:</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Individual <input type="checkbox"/> DBA, Name _____, County Filed in _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Corporation, ID No. _____ <input type="checkbox"/> LLC/LLP, ID No. _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____

REMITTING ADDRESS INFORMATION

Address			
City/Town			
State/Province		Zip	
Phone	() - Ext	Fax	() -
Contact		Title	
E-mail Address			
Payment Name if Different			

All invoices must reference the corresponding Purchase Order Number(s)/Contract Number(s) if applicable and mailed to:

Attention: Accounts Payable, Accounting Department
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765-4178

BUSINESS STATUS CERTIFICATIONS

Federal guidance for utilization of disadvantaged business enterprises allows a vendor to be deemed a small business enterprise (SBE), minority business enterprise (MBE) or women business enterprise (WBE) if it meets the criteria below.

- is certified by the Small Business Administration or
- is certified by a state or federal agency or
- is an independent MBE(s) or WBE(s) business concern which is at least 51 percent owned and controlled by minority group member(s) who are citizens of the United States.

Statements of certification:

As a prime contractor to SCAQMD, (name of business) will engage in good faith efforts to achieve the fair share in accordance with 40 CFR Section 33.301, and will follow the six affirmative steps listed below **for contracts or purchase orders funded in whole or in part by federal grants and contracts.**

1. Place qualified SBEs, MBEs, and WBEs on solicitation lists.
2. Assure that SBEs, MBEs, and WBEs are solicited whenever possible.
3. When economically feasible, divide total requirements into small tasks or quantities to permit greater participation by SBEs, MBEs, and WBEs.
4. Establish delivery schedules, if possible, to encourage participation by SBEs, MBEs, and WBEs.
5. Use services of Small Business Administration, Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce, and/or any agency authorized as a clearinghouse for SBEs, MBEs, and WBEs.
6. If subcontracts are to be let, take the above affirmative steps.

Self-Certification Verification: Also for use in awarding additional points, as applicable, in accordance with SCAQMD Procurement Policy and Procedure:

Check all that apply:

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Small Business Enterprise/Small Business Joint Venture | <input type="checkbox"/> Women-owned Business Enterprise |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Local business | <input type="checkbox"/> Disabled Veteran-owned Business Enterprise/DVBE Joint Venture |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Minority-owned Business Enterprise | <input type="checkbox"/> Most Favored Customer Pricing Certification |

Percent of ownership: _____ %

Name of Qualifying Owner(s): _____

State of California Public Works Contractor Registration No. _____ MUST BE INCLUDED IF BID PROPOSAL IS FOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT.

I, the undersigned, hereby declare that to the best of my knowledge the above information is accurate. Upon penalty of perjury, I certify information submitted is factual.

NAME

TITLE

TELEPHONE NUMBER

DATE

Definitions

Disabled Veteran-Owned Business Enterprise means a business that meets all of the following criteria:

- is a sole proprietorship or partnership of which is at least 51 percent owned by one or more disabled veterans, or in the case of any business whose stock is publicly held, at least 51 percent of the stock is owned by one or more disabled veterans; a subsidiary which is wholly owned by a parent corporation but only if at least 51 percent of the voting stock of the parent corporation is owned by one or more disabled veterans; or a joint venture in which at least 51 percent of the joint venture's management and control and earnings are held by one or more disabled veterans.
- the management and control of the daily business operations are by one or more disabled veterans. The disabled veterans who exercise management and control are not required to be the same disabled veterans as the owners of the business.
- is a sole proprietorship, corporation, partnership, or joint venture with its primary headquarters office located in the United States and which is not a branch or subsidiary of a foreign corporation, firm, or other foreign-based business.

Joint Venture means that one party to the joint venture is a DVBE and owns at least 51 percent of the joint venture. In the case of a joint venture formed for a single project this means that DVBE will receive at least 51 percent of the project dollars.

Local Business means a business that meets all of the following criteria:

- has an ongoing business within the boundary of SCAQMD at the time of bid application.
- performs 90 percent of the work within SCAQMD's jurisdiction.

Minority-Owned Business Enterprise means a business that meets all of the following criteria:

- is at least 51 percent owned by one or more minority persons or in the case of any business whose stock is publicly held, at least 51 percent of the stock is owned by one or more minority persons.
- is a business whose management and daily business operations are controlled or owned by one or more minority person.
- is a business which is a sole proprietorship, corporation, partnership, joint venture, an association, or a cooperative with its primary headquarters office located in the United States, which is not a branch or subsidiary of a foreign corporation, foreign firm, or other foreign business.

“Minority” person means a Black American, Hispanic American, Native American (including American Indian, Eskimo, Aleut, and Native Hawaiian), Asian-Indian American (including a person whose origins are from India, Pakistan, or Bangladesh), Asian-Pacific American (including a person whose origins are from Japan, China, the Philippines, Vietnam, Korea, Samoa, Guam, the United States Trust Territories of the Pacific, Northern Marianas, Laos, Cambodia, or Taiwan).

Small Business Enterprise means a business that meets the following criteria:

- a. 1) an independently owned and operated business; 2) not dominant in its field of operation; 3) together with affiliates is either:
 - **A service, construction, or non-manufacturer with 100 or fewer employees, and average annual gross receipts of ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) or less over the previous three years, or**
 - A manufacturer with 100 or fewer employees.
- b. Manufacturer means a business that is both of the following:
 - 1) Primarily engaged in the chemical or mechanical transformation of raw materials or processed substances into new products.
 - 2) Classified between Codes 311000 to 339000, inclusive, of the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) Manual published by the United States Office of Management and Budget, 2007 edition.

Small Business Joint Venture means that one party to the joint venture is a Small Business and owns at least 51 percent of the joint venture. In the case of a joint venture formed for a single project this means that the Small Business will receive at least 51 percent of the project dollars.

Women-Owned Business Enterprise means a business that meets all of the following criteria:

- is at least 51 percent owned by one or more women or in the case of any business whose stock is publicly held, at least 51 percent of the stock is owned by one or more women.
- is a business whose management and daily business operations are controlled or owned by one or more women.
- is a business which is a sole proprietorship, corporation, partnership, or a joint venture, with its primary headquarters office located in the United States, which is not a branch or subsidiary of a foreign corporation, foreign firm, or other foreign business.

Most Favored Customer as used in this policy means that the SCAQMD will receive at least as favorable pricing, warranties, conditions, benefits and terms as other customers or clients making similar purchases or receiving similar services.

Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

**Give Form to the
requester. Do not
send to the IRS.**

Print or type See Specific Instructions on page 2.	1 Name (as shown on your income tax return). Name is required on this line; do not leave this line blank.	
	2 Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above	
	3 Check appropriate box for federal tax classification; check only one of the following seven boxes: <input type="checkbox"/> Individual/sole proprietor or single-member LLC <input type="checkbox"/> C Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> S Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Trust/estate <input type="checkbox"/> Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=partnership) ▶ _____ Note. For a single-member LLC that is disregarded, do not check LLC; check the appropriate box in the line above for the tax classification of the single-member owner. <input type="checkbox"/> Other (see instructions) ▶ _____	4 Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3): Exempt payee code (if any) _____ Exemption from FATCA reporting code (if any) _____ <i>(Applies to accounts maintained outside the U.S.)</i>
	5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.)	Requester's name and address (optional)
	6 City, state, and ZIP code	
7 List account number(s) here (optional)		

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the Part I instructions on page 3. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN* on page 3.

Note. If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1 and the chart on page 4 for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Social security number									
or									
Employer identification number									

Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
4. The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions on page 3.

Sign Here	Signature of U.S. person ▶ _____	Date ▶ _____
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General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future developments. Information about developments affecting Form W-9 (such as legislation enacted after we release it) is at www.irs.gov/fw9.

Purpose of Form

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Form 1099-INT (interest earned or paid)
- Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds)
- Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds)
- Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by brokers)
- Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions)
- Form 1099-K (merchant card and third party network transactions)

- Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest), 1098-T (tuition)
- Form 1099-C (canceled debt)
- Form 1099-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property)

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN.

If you do not return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding. See What is backup withholding? on page 2.

By signing the filled-out form, you:

1. Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued),
2. Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or
3. Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income, and
4. Certify that FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that you are exempt from the FATCA reporting, is correct. See *What is FATCA reporting?* on page 2 for further information.

Note. If you are a U.S. person and a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

Definition of a U.S. person. For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

- An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien;
- A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States;
- An estate (other than a foreign estate); or
- A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

Special rules for partnerships. Partnerships that conduct a trade or business in the United States are generally required to pay a withholding tax under section 1446 on any foreign partners' share of effectively connected taxable income from such business. Further, in certain cases where a Form W-9 has not been received, the rules under section 1446 require a partnership to presume that a partner is a foreign person, and pay the section 1446 withholding tax. Therefore, if you are a U.S. person that is a partner in a partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States, provide Form W-9 to the partnership to establish your U.S. status and avoid section 1446 withholding on your share of partnership income.

In the cases below, the following person must give Form W-9 to the partnership for purposes of establishing its U.S. status and avoiding withholding on its allocable share of net income from the partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States:

- In the case of a disregarded entity with a U.S. owner, the U.S. owner of the disregarded entity and not the entity;
- In the case of a grantor trust with a U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner, generally, the U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner of the grantor trust and not the trust; and
- In the case of a U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust), the U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust) and not the beneficiaries of the trust.

Foreign person. If you are a foreign person or the U.S. branch of a foreign bank that has elected to be treated as a U.S. person, do not use Form W-9. Instead, use the appropriate Form W-8 or Form 8233 (see Publication 515, Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Entities).

Nonresident alien who becomes a resident alien. Generally, only a nonresident alien individual may use the terms of a tax treaty to reduce or eliminate U.S. tax on certain types of income. However, most tax treaties contain a provision known as a "saving clause." Exceptions specified in the saving clause may permit an exemption from tax to continue for certain types of income even after the payee has otherwise become a U.S. resident alien for tax purposes.

If you are a U.S. resident alien who is relying on an exception contained in the saving clause of a tax treaty to claim an exemption from U.S. tax on certain types of income, you must attach a statement to Form W-9 that specifies the following five items:

1. The treaty country. Generally, this must be the same treaty under which you claimed exemption from tax as a nonresident alien.
2. The treaty article addressing the income.
3. The article number (or location) in the tax treaty that contains the saving clause and its exceptions.
4. The type and amount of income that qualifies for the exemption from tax.
5. Sufficient facts to justify the exemption from tax under the terms of the treaty article.

Example. Article 20 of the U.S.-China income tax treaty allows an exemption from tax for scholarship income received by a Chinese student temporarily present in the United States. Under U.S. law, this student will become a resident alien for tax purposes if his or her stay in the United States exceeds 5 calendar years. However, paragraph 2 of the first Protocol to the U.S.-China treaty (dated April 30, 1984) allows the provisions of Article 20 to continue to apply even after the Chinese student becomes a resident alien of the United States. A Chinese student who qualifies for this exception (under paragraph 2 of the first protocol) and is relying on this exception to claim an exemption from tax on his or her scholarship or fellowship income would attach to Form W-9 a statement that includes the information described above to support that exemption.

If you are a nonresident alien or a foreign entity, give the requester the appropriate completed Form W-8 or Form 8233.

Backup Withholding

What is backup withholding? Persons making certain payments to you must under certain conditions withhold and pay to the IRS 28% of such payments. This is called "backup withholding." Payments that may be subject to backup withholding include interest, tax-exempt interest, dividends, broker and barter exchange transactions, rents, royalties, nonemployee pay, payments made in settlement of payment card and third party network transactions, and certain payments from fishing boat operators. Real estate transactions are not subject to backup withholding.

You will not be subject to backup withholding on payments you receive if you give the requester your correct TIN, make the proper certifications, and report all your taxable interest and dividends on your tax return.

Payments you receive will be subject to backup withholding if:

1. You do not furnish your TIN to the requester,
2. You do not certify your TIN when required (see the Part II instructions on page 3 for details),

3. The IRS tells the requester that you furnished an incorrect TIN,

4. The IRS tells you that you are subject to backup withholding because you did not report all your interest and dividends on your tax return (for reportable interest and dividends only), or

5. You do not certify to the requester that you are not subject to backup withholding under 4 above (for reportable interest and dividend accounts opened after 1983 only).

Certain payees and payments are exempt from backup withholding. See *Exempt payee code* on page 3 and the separate Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

Also see *Special rules for partnerships* above.

What is FATCA reporting?

The Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) requires a participating foreign financial institution to report all United States account holders that are specified United States persons. Certain payees are exempt from FATCA reporting. See *Exemption from FATCA reporting code* on page 3 and the Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

Updating Your Information

You must provide updated information to any person to whom you claimed to be an exempt payee if you are no longer an exempt payee and anticipate receiving reportable payments in the future from this person. For example, you may need to provide updated information if you are a C corporation that elects to be an S corporation, or if you no longer are tax exempt. In addition, you must furnish a new Form W-9 if the name or TIN changes for the account; for example, if the grantor of a grantor trust dies.

Penalties

Failure to furnish TIN. If you fail to furnish your correct TIN to a requester, you are subject to a penalty of \$50 for each such failure unless your failure is due to reasonable cause and not to willful neglect.

Civil penalty for false information with respect to withholding. If you make a false statement with no reasonable basis that results in no backup withholding, you are subject to a \$500 penalty.

Criminal penalty for falsifying information. Willfully falsifying certifications or affirmations may subject you to criminal penalties including fines and/or imprisonment.

Misuse of TINs. If the requester discloses or uses TINs in violation of federal law, the requester may be subject to civil and criminal penalties.

Specific Instructions

Line 1

You must enter one of the following on this line; **do not** leave this line blank. The name should match the name on your tax return.

If this Form W-9 is for a joint account, list first, and then circle, the name of the person or entity whose number you entered in Part I of Form W-9.

a. **Individual.** Generally, enter the name shown on your tax return. If you have changed your last name without informing the Social Security Administration (SSA) of the name change, enter your first name, the last name as shown on your social security card, and your new last name.

Note. ITIN applicant: Enter your individual name as it was entered on your Form W-7 application, line 1a. This should also be the same as the name you entered on the Form 1040/1040A/1040EZ you filed with your application.

b. **Sole proprietor or single-member LLC.** Enter your individual name as shown on your 1040/1040A/1040EZ on line 1. You may enter your business, trade, or "doing business as" (DBA) name on line 2.

c. **Partnership, LLC that is not a single-member LLC, C Corporation, or S Corporation.** Enter the entity's name as shown on the entity's tax return on line 1 and any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.

d. **Other entities.** Enter your name as shown on required U.S. federal tax documents on line 1. This name should match the name shown on the charter or other legal document creating the entity. You may enter any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.

e. **Disregarded entity.** For U.S. federal tax purposes, an entity that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner is treated as a "disregarded entity." See Regulations section 301.7701-2(c)(2)(iii). Enter the owner's name on line 1. The name of the entity entered on line 1 should never be a disregarded entity. The name on line 1 should be the name shown on the income tax return on which the income should be reported. For example, if a foreign LLC that is treated as a disregarded entity for U.S. federal tax purposes has a single owner that is a U.S. person, the U.S. owner's name is required to be provided on line 1. If the direct owner of the entity is also a disregarded entity, enter the first owner that is not disregarded for federal tax purposes. Enter the disregarded entity's name on line 2, "Business name/disregarded entity name." If the owner of the disregarded entity is a foreign person, the owner must complete an appropriate Form W-8 instead of a Form W-9. This is the case even if the foreign person has a U.S. TIN.

Line 2

If you have a business name, trade name, DBA name, or disregarded entity name, you may enter it on line 2.

Line 3

Check the appropriate box in line 3 for the U.S. federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one box in line 3.

Limited Liability Company (LLC). If the name on line 1 is an LLC treated as a partnership for U.S. federal tax purposes, check the "Limited Liability Company" box and enter "P" in the space provided. If the LLC has filed Form 8832 or 2553 to be taxed as a corporation, check the "Limited Liability Company" box and in the space provided enter "C" for C corporation or "S" for S corporation. If it is a single-member LLC that is a disregarded entity, do not check the "Limited Liability Company" box; instead check the first box in line 3 "Individual/sole proprietor or single-member LLC."

Line 4, Exemptions

If you are exempt from backup withholding and/or FATCA reporting, enter in the appropriate space in line 4 any code(s) that may apply to you.

Exempt payee code.

- Generally, individuals (including sole proprietors) are not exempt from backup withholding.
- Except as provided below, corporations are exempt from backup withholding for certain payments, including interest and dividends.
- Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding for payments made in settlement of payment card or third party network transactions.
- Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding with respect to attorneys' fees or gross proceeds paid to attorneys, and corporations that provide medical or health care services are not exempt with respect to payments reportable on Form 1099-MISC.

The following codes identify payees that are exempt from backup withholding. Enter the appropriate code in the space in line 4.

- 1—An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a), any IRA, or a custodial account under section 403(b)(7) if the account satisfies the requirements of section 401(f)(2)
- 2—The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities
- 3—A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or possession, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities
- 4—A foreign government or any of its political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities
- 5—A corporation
- 6—A dealer in securities or commodities required to register in the United States, the District of Columbia, or a U.S. commonwealth or possession
- 7—A futures commission merchant registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission
- 8—A real estate investment trust
- 9—An entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940
- 10—A common trust fund operated by a bank under section 584(a)
- 11—A financial institution
- 12—A middleman known in the investment community as a nominee or custodian
- 13—A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947

The following chart shows types of payments that may be exempt from backup withholding. The chart applies to the exempt payees listed above, 1 through 13.

IF the payment is for . . .	THEN the payment is exempt for . . .
Interest and dividend payments	All exempt payees except for 7
Broker transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4 and 6 through 11 and all C corporations. S corporations must not enter an exempt payee code because they are exempt only for sales of noncovered securities acquired prior to 2012.
Barter exchange transactions and patronage dividends	Exempt payees 1 through 4
Payments over \$600 required to be reported and direct sales over \$5,000 ¹	Generally, exempt payees 1 through 5 ²
Payments made in settlement of payment card or third party network transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4

¹ See Form 1099-MISC, Miscellaneous Income, and its instructions.

² However, the following payments made to a corporation and reportable on Form 1099-MISC are not exempt from backup withholding: medical and health care payments, attorneys' fees, gross proceeds paid to an attorney reportable under section 6045(f), and payments for services paid by a federal executive agency.

Exemption from FATCA reporting code. The following codes identify payees that are exempt from reporting under FATCA. These codes apply to persons submitting this form for accounts maintained outside of the United States by certain foreign financial institutions. Therefore, if you are only submitting this form for an account you hold in the United States, you may leave this field blank. Consult with the person requesting this form if you are uncertain if the financial institution is subject to these requirements. A requester may indicate that a code is not required by providing you with a Form W-9 with "Not Applicable" (or any similar indication) written or printed on the line for a FATCA exemption code.

A—An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a) or any individual retirement plan as defined in section 7701(a)(37)

B—The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities

C—A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or possession, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities

D—A corporation the stock of which is regularly traded on one or more established securities markets, as described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i)

E—A corporation that is a member of the same expanded affiliated group as a corporation described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i)

F—A dealer in securities, commodities, or derivative financial instruments (including notional principal contracts, futures, forwards, and options) that is registered as such under the laws of the United States or any state

G—A real estate investment trust

H—A regulated investment company as defined in section 851 or an entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940

I—A common trust fund as defined in section 584(a)

J—A bank as defined in section 581

K—A broker

L—A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947(a)(1)

M—A tax exempt trust under a section 403(b) plan or section 457(g) plan

Note. You may wish to consult with the financial institution requesting this form to determine whether the FATCA code and/or exempt payee code should be completed.

Line 5

Enter your address (number, street, and apartment or suite number). This is where the requester of this Form W-9 will mail your information returns.

Line 6

Enter your city, state, and ZIP code.

Part I. Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. If you are a resident alien and you do not have and are not eligible to get an SSN, your TIN is your IRS individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN). Enter it in the social security number box. If you do not have an ITIN, see *How to get a TIN* below.

If you are a sole proprietor and you have an EIN, you may enter either your SSN or EIN. However, the IRS prefers that you use your SSN.

If you are a single-member LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner (see *Limited Liability Company (LLC)* on this page), enter the owner's SSN (or EIN, if the owner has one). Do not enter the disregarded entity's EIN. If the LLC is classified as a corporation or partnership, enter the entity's EIN.

Note. See the chart on page 4 for further clarification of name and TIN combinations.

How to get a TIN. If you do not have a TIN, apply for one immediately. To apply for an SSN, get Form SS-5, Application for a Social Security Card, from your local SSA office or get this form online at www.ssa.gov. You may also get this form by calling 1-800-772-1213. Use Form W-7, Application for IRS Individual Taxpayer Identification Number, to apply for an ITIN, or Form SS-4, Application for Employer Identification Number, to apply for an EIN. You can apply for an EIN online by accessing the IRS website at www.irs.gov/businesses and clicking on Employer Identification Number (EIN) under Starting a Business. You can get Forms W-7 and SS-4 from the IRS by visiting IRS.gov or by calling 1-800-TAX-FORM (1-800-829-3676).

If you are asked to complete Form W-9 but do not have a TIN, apply for a TIN and write "Applied For" in the space for the TIN, sign and date the form, and give it to the requester. For interest and dividend payments, and certain payments made with respect to readily tradable instruments, generally you will have 60 days to get a TIN and give it to the requester before you are subject to backup withholding on payments. The 60-day rule does not apply to other types of payments. You will be subject to backup withholding on all such payments until you provide your TIN to the requester.

Note. Entering "Applied For" means that you have already applied for a TIN or that you intend to apply for one soon.

Caution: A disregarded U.S. entity that has a foreign owner must use the appropriate Form W-8.

Part II. Certification

To establish to the withholding agent that you are a U.S. person, or resident alien, sign Form W-9. You may be requested to sign by the withholding agent even if items 1, 4, or 5 below indicate otherwise.

For a joint account, only the person whose TIN is shown in Part I should sign (when required). In the case of a disregarded entity, the person identified on line 1 must sign. Exempt payees, see *Exempt payee code* earlier.

Signature requirements. Complete the certification as indicated in items 1 through 5 below.

1. Interest, dividend, and barter exchange accounts opened before 1984 and broker accounts considered active during 1983. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

2. Interest, dividend, broker, and barter exchange accounts opened after 1983 and broker accounts considered inactive during 1983. You must sign the certification or backup withholding will apply. If you are subject to backup withholding and you are merely providing your correct TIN to the requester, you must cross out item 2 in the certification before signing the form.

3. Real estate transactions. You must sign the certification. You may cross out item 2 of the certification.

4. Other payments. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification unless you have been notified that you have previously given an incorrect TIN. "Other payments" include payments made in the course of the requester's trade or business for rents, royalties, goods (other than bills for merchandise), medical and health care services (including payments to corporations), payments to a nonemployee for services, payments made in settlement of payment card and third party network transactions, payments to certain fishing boat crew members and fishermen, and gross proceeds paid to attorneys (including payments to corporations).

5. Mortgage interest paid by you, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, qualified tuition program payments (under section 529), IRA, Coverdell ESA, Archer MSA or HSA contributions or distributions, and pension distributions. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

What Name and Number To Give the Requester

For this type of account:	Give name and SSN of:
1. Individual	The individual
2. Two or more individuals (joint account)	The actual owner of the account or, if combined funds, the first individual on the account ¹
3. Custodian account of a minor (Uniform Gift to Minors Act)	The minor ²
4. a. The usual revocable savings trust (grantor is also trustee)	The grantor-trustee ¹
b. So-called trust account that is not a legal or valid trust under state law	The actual owner ¹
5. Sole proprietorship or disregarded entity owned by an individual	The owner ³
6. Grantor trust filing under Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 1 (see Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(A))	The grantor ⁴
For this type of account:	Give name and EIN of:
7. Disregarded entity not owned by an individual	The owner
8. A valid trust, estate, or pension trust	Legal entity ⁴
9. Corporation or LLC electing corporate status on Form 8832 or Form 2553	The corporation
10. Association, club, religious, charitable, educational, or other tax-exempt organization	The organization
11. Partnership or multi-member LLC	The partnership
12. A broker or registered nominee	The broker or nominee
13. Account with the Department of Agriculture in the name of a public entity (such as a state or local government, school district, or prison) that receives agricultural program payments	The public entity
14. Grantor trust filing under the Form 1041 Filing Method or the Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 2 (see Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(B))	The trust

¹ List first and circle the name of the person whose number you furnish. If only one person on a joint account has an SSN, that person's number must be furnished.

² Circle the minor's name and furnish the minor's SSN.

³ You must show your individual name and you may also enter your business or DBA name on the "Business name/disregarded entity" name line. You may use either your SSN or EIN (if you have one), but the IRS encourages you to use your SSN.

⁴ List first and circle the name of the trust, estate, or pension trust. (Do not furnish the TIN of the personal representative or trustee unless the legal entity itself is not designated in the account title.) Also see *Special rules for partnerships* on page 2.

***Note.** Grantor also must provide a Form W-9 to trustee of trust.

Note. If no name is circled when more than one name is listed, the number will be considered to be that of the first name listed.

Secure Your Tax Records from Identity Theft

Identity theft occurs when someone uses your personal information such as your name, SSN, or other identifying information, without your permission, to commit fraud or other crimes. An identity thief may use your SSN to get a job or may file a tax return using your SSN to receive a refund.

To reduce your risk:

- Protect your SSN,
- Ensure your employer is protecting your SSN, and
- Be careful when choosing a tax preparer.

If your tax records are affected by identity theft and you receive a notice from the IRS, respond right away to the name and phone number printed on the IRS notice or letter.

If your tax records are not currently affected by identity theft but you think you are at risk due to a lost or stolen purse or wallet, questionable credit card activity or credit report, contact the IRS Identity Theft Hotline at 1-800-908-4490 or submit Form 14039.

For more information, see Publication 4535, Identity Theft Prevention and Victim Assistance.

Victims of identity theft who are experiencing economic harm or a system problem, or are seeking help in resolving tax problems that have not been resolved through normal channels, may be eligible for Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) assistance. You can reach TAS by calling the TAS toll-free case intake line at 1-877-777-4778 or TTY/TDD 1-800-829-4059.

Protect yourself from suspicious emails or phishing schemes. Phishing is the creation and use of email and websites designed to mimic legitimate business emails and websites. The most common act is sending an email to a user falsely claiming to be an established legitimate enterprise in an attempt to scam the user into surrendering private information that will be used for identity theft.

The IRS does not initiate contacts with taxpayers via emails. Also, the IRS does not request personal detailed information through email or ask taxpayers for the PIN numbers, passwords, or similar secret access information for their credit card, bank, or other financial accounts.

If you receive an unsolicited email claiming to be from the IRS, forward this message to phishing@irs.gov. You may also report misuse of the IRS name, logo, or other IRS property to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration (TIGTA) at 1-800-366-4484. You can forward suspicious emails to the Federal Trade Commission at: spam@uce.gov or contact them at www.ftc.gov/idtheft or 1-877-IDTHEFT (1-877-438-4338).

Visit IRS.gov to learn more about identity theft and how to reduce your risk.

Privacy Act Notice

Section 6109 of the Internal Revenue Code requires you to provide your correct TIN to persons (including federal agencies) who are required to file information returns with the IRS to report interest, dividends, or certain other income paid to you; mortgage interest you paid; the acquisition or abandonment of secured property; the cancellation of debt; or contributions you made to an IRA, Archer MSA, or HSA. The person collecting this form uses the information on the form to file information returns with the IRS, reporting the above information. Routine uses of this information include giving it to the Department of Justice for civil and criminal litigation and to cities, states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. commonwealths and possessions for use in administering their laws. The information also may be disclosed to other countries under a treaty, to federal and state agencies to enforce civil and criminal laws, or to federal law enforcement and intelligence agencies to combat terrorism. You must provide your TIN whether or not you are required to file a tax return. Under section 3406, payers must generally withhold a percentage of taxable interest, dividend, and certain other payments to a payee who does not give a TIN to the payer. Certain penalties may also apply for providing false or fraudulent information.

2015 Withholding Exemption Certificate**590**

The payee completes this form and submits it to the withholding agent.

Withholding Agent (Type or print)

Name _____

Payee

Name _____

☐ SSN or ITIN ☐ FEIN ☐ CA Corp no. ☐ CA SOS file no.

Address (apt./ste., room, PO Box, or PMB no.) _____

City (If you have a foreign address, see instructions.) _____

State _____

ZIP Code _____

Exemption Reason

Check only one reason box below that applies to the payee.

By checking the appropriate box below, the Payee certifies the reason for the exemption from the California income tax withholding requirements on payment(s) made to the entity or individual.

☐ **Individuals — Certification of Residency:**

I am a resident of California and I reside at the address shown above. If I become a nonresident at any time, I will promptly notify the withholding agent. See instructions for General Information D, Definitions.

☐ **Corporations:**

The corporation has a permanent place of business in California at the address shown above or is qualified through the California Secretary of State (SOS) to do business in California. The corporation will file a California tax return. If this corporation ceases to have a permanent place of business in California or ceases to do any of the above, I will promptly notify the withholding agent. See instructions for General Information D, Definitions.

☐ **Partnerships or Limited Liability Companies (LLCs):**

The partnership or LLC has a permanent place of business in California at the address shown above or is registered with the California SOS, and is subject to the laws of California. The partnership or LLC will file a California tax return. If the partnership or LLC ceases to do any of the above, I will promptly inform the withholding agent. For withholding purposes, a limited liability partnership (LLP) is treated like any other partnership.

☐ **Tax-Exempt Entities:**

The entity is exempt from tax under California Revenue and Taxation Code (R&TC) Section 23701 _____ (insert letter) or Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c) _____ (insert number). If this entity ceases to be exempt from tax, I will promptly notify the withholding agent. Individuals cannot be tax-exempt entities.

☐ **Insurance Companies, Individual Retirement Arrangements (IRAs), or Qualified Pension/Profit Sharing Plans:**

The entity is an insurance company, IRA, or a federally qualified pension or profit-sharing plan.

☐ **California Trusts:**

At least one trustee and one noncontingent beneficiary of the above-named trust is a California resident. The trust will file a California fiduciary tax return. If the trustee or noncontingent beneficiary becomes a nonresident at any time, I will promptly notify the withholding agent.

☐ **Estates — Certification of Residency of Deceased Person:**

I am the executor of the above-named person's estate or trust. The decedent was a California resident at the time of death. The estate will file a California fiduciary tax return.

☐ **Nonmilitary Spouse of a Military Servicemember:**

I am a nonmilitary spouse of a military servicemember and I meet the Military Spouse Residency Relief Act (MSRRA) requirements. See instructions for General Information E, MSRRA.

CERTIFICATE OF PAYEE: Payee must complete and sign below.

Under penalties of perjury, I hereby certify that the information provided in this document is, to the best of my knowledge, true and correct. If conditions change, I will promptly notify the withholding agent.

Payee's name and title (type or print) _____ Telephone (____) _____

Payee's signature ► _____ Date _____

2015 Instructions for Form 590

Withholding Exemption Certificate

References in these instructions are to the California Revenue and Taxation Code (R&TC).

General Information

Registered Domestic Partners (RDP) – For purposes of California income tax, references to a spouse, husband, or wife also refer to a Registered Domestic Partner (RDP) unless otherwise specified. For more information on RDPs, get FTB Pub. 737, Tax Information for Registered Domestic Partners.

A Purpose

Use Form 590, Withholding Exemption Certificate, to certify an exemption from nonresident withholding.

Form 590 does not apply to payments of backup withholding. For information on California backup withholding, go to ftb.ca.gov and search for **backup withholding**.

Form 590 does not apply to payments for wages to employees. Wage withholding is administered by the California Employment Development Department (EDD). For more information, go to edd.ca.gov or call 888.745.3886.

Do not use Form 590 to certify an exemption from withholding if you are a **Seller of California real estate**. Sellers of California real estate use Form 593-C, Real Estate Withholding Certificate, to claim an exemption from real estate withholding.

The following are excluded from withholding and completing this form:

- The United States and any of its agencies or instrumentalities.
- A state, a possession of the United States, the District of Columbia, or any of its political subdivisions or instrumentalities.
- A foreign government or any of its political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities.

B Income Subject to Withholding

California Revenue and Taxation Code (R&TC) Section 18662 requires withholding of income or franchise tax on payments of California source income made to nonresidents of California.

Withholding is required on the following, but is not limited to:

- Payments to nonresidents for services rendered in California.
- Distributions of California source income made to domestic nonresident partners, members, and S corporation shareholders and allocations of California source income made to foreign partners and members.
- Payments to nonresidents for rents if the payments are made in the course of the withholding agent's business.

- Payments to nonresidents for royalties from activities sourced to California.
- Distributions of California source income to nonresident beneficiaries from an estate or trust.
- Endorsement payments received for services performed in California.
- Prizes and winnings received by nonresidents for contests in California.

However, withholding is optional if the total payments of California source income are \$1,500 or less during the calendar year.

For more information on withholding get FTB Pub. 1017, Resident and Nonresident Withholding Guidelines. To get a withholding publication, see Additional Information.

C Who Certifies this Form

Form 590 is certified by the payee. California residents or entities exempt from the withholding requirement should complete Form 590 and submit it to the withholding agent before payment is made. The withholding agent is then relieved of the withholding requirements if the agent relies in good faith on a completed and signed Form 590 unless notified by the Franchise Tax Board (FTB) that the form should not be relied upon.

An incomplete certificate is invalid and the withholding agent should not accept it. If the withholding agent receives an incomplete certificate, the withholding agent is required to withhold tax on payments made to the payee until a valid certificate is received. In lieu of a completed certificate on the preprinted form, the withholding agent may accept as a substitute certificate a letter from the payee explaining why the payee is not subject to withholding. The letter must contain all the information required on the certificate in similar language, including the under penalty of perjury statement and the payee's taxpayer identification number. The withholding agent must retain a copy of the certificate or substitute for at least four years after the last payment to which the certificate applies, and provide it upon request to the FTB.

For example, if an entertainer (or the entertainer's business entity) is paid for a performance, the entertainer's information must be provided. **Do not** submit the entertainer's agent or promoter information.

The grantor of a grantor trust shall be treated as the payee for withholding purposes. Therefore, if the payee is a grantor trust and one or more of the grantors is a nonresident, withholding is required. If all of the grantors on the trust are residents, no withholding is required. Resident grantors can check the box on Form 590 labeled "Individuals — Certification of Residency."

D Definitions

For California non-wage withholding purposes, **nonresident** includes all of the following:

- Individuals who are not residents of California.
- Corporations not qualified through the California Secretary of State (CA SOS) to do business in California or having no permanent place of business in California.
- Partnerships or limited liability companies (LLCs) with no permanent place of business in California.
- Any trust without a resident grantor, beneficiary, or trustee, or estates where the decedent was not a California resident.

Foreign refers to non-U.S.

For more information about determining resident status, get FTB Pub. 1031, Guidelines for Determining Resident Status. Military servicemembers have special rules for residency. For more information, get FTB Pub. 1032, Tax Information for Military Personnel.

Permanent Place of Business:

A corporation has a permanent place of business in California if it is organized and existing under the laws of California or if it is a foreign corporation qualified to transact intrastate business by the CA SOS. A corporation that has not qualified to transact intrastate business (e.g., a corporation engaged exclusively in interstate commerce) will be considered as having a permanent place of business in California only if it maintains a permanent office in California that is permanently staffed by its employees.

E Military Spouse Residency Relief Act (MSRRA)

Generally, for tax purposes you are considered to maintain your existing residence or domicile. If a military servicemember and nonmilitary spouse have the same state of domicile, the MSRRA provides:

- A spouse shall not be deemed to have lost a residence or domicile in any state solely by reason of being absent to be with the servicemember serving in compliance with military orders.
- A spouse shall not be deemed to have acquired a residence or domicile in any other state solely by reason of being there to be with the servicemember serving in compliance with military orders.

Domicile is defined as the one place:

- Where you maintain a true, fixed, and permanent home.
- To which you intend to return whenever you are absent.

A military servicemember's nonmilitary spouse is considered a nonresident for tax purposes if the servicemember and spouse have the same domicile outside of California and the spouse is in California solely to be with the servicemember who is serving in compliance with Permanent Change of Station orders.

California may require nonmilitary spouses of military servicemembers to provide proof that they meet the criteria for California personal income tax exemption as set forth in the MSRRA.

Income of a military servicemember's nonmilitary spouse for services performed in California is not California source income subject to state tax if the spouse is in California to be with the servicemember serving in compliance with military orders, and the servicemember and spouse have the same domicile in a state other than California.

For additional information or assistance in determining whether the applicant meets the MSRRA requirements, get FTB Pub. 1032.

Specific Instructions

Payee Instructions

Enter the withholding agent's name.

Enter the payee's information, including the taxpayer identification number (TIN) and check the appropriate TIN box.

You must provide an acceptable TIN as requested on this form. The following are acceptable TINs: social security number (SSN); individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN); federal employer identification number (FEIN); California corporation number (CA Corp no.); or CA SOS file number.

Private Mail Box (PMB) – Include the PMB in the address field. Write "PMB" first, then the box number. Example: 111 Main Street PMB 123.

Foreign Address – Enter the information in the following order: City, Country, Province/Region, and Postal Code. Follow the country's practice for entering the postal code. **Do not** abbreviate the country's name.

Check the box that reflects the reason why the payee is exempt from the California income tax withholding requirement.

Withholding Agent Instructions

Keep Form 590 for your records. **Do not** send this form to the FTB unless it has been specifically requested.

For more information, contact Withholding Services and Compliance, see Additional Information.

The payee must notify the withholding agent if any of the following situations occur:

- The individual payee becomes a nonresident.
- The corporation ceases to have a permanent place of business in California or ceases to be qualified to do business in California.
- The partnership ceases to have a permanent place of business in California.
- The LLC ceases to have a permanent place of business in California.
- The tax-exempt entity loses its tax-exempt status.

If any of these situations occur, then withholding may be required. For more information, get Form 592, Resident and Nonresident Withholding Statement, Form 592-B, Resident and Nonresident Withholding Tax Statement, and Form 592-V, Payment Voucher for Resident and Nonresident Withholding.

Additional Information

For additional information or to speak to a representative regarding this form, call the Withholding Services and Compliance telephone service at:

Telephone: **888.792.4900**
916.845.4900

Fax: 916.845.9512

OR write to:

WITHHOLDING SERVICES AND
COMPLIANCE MS F182
FRANCHISE TAX BOARD
PO BOX 942867
SACRAMENTO CA 94267-0651

You can download, view, and print California tax forms and publications at ftb.ca.gov.

OR to get forms by mail write to:

TAX FORMS REQUEST UNIT
FRANCHISE TAX BOARD
PO BOX 307
RANCHO CORDOVA CA 95741-0307

For all other questions unrelated to withholding or to access the TTY/TDD numbers, see the information below.

Internet and Telephone Assistance

Website: ftb.ca.gov

Telephone: 800.852.5711 from within the United States
916.845.6500 from outside the United States

TTY/TDD: 800.822.6268 for persons with hearing or speech impairments

Asistencia Por Internet y Teléfono

Sitio web: ftb.ca.gov

Teléfono: 800.852.5711 dentro de los Estados Unidos
916.845.6500 fuera de los Estados Unidos

TTY/TDD: 800.822.6268 para personas con discapacidades auditivas o del habla



CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS DISCLOSURE

In accordance with California law, bidders and contracting parties are required to disclose, at the time the application is filed, information relating to any campaign contributions made to South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) Board Members or members/alternates of the MSRC, including: the name of the party making the contribution (which includes any parent, subsidiary or otherwise related business entity, as defined below), the amount of the contribution, and the date the contribution was made. 2 C.C.R. §18438.8(b).

California law prohibits a party, or an agent, from making campaign contributions to SCAQMD Governing Board Members or members/alternates of the Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee (MSRC) of more than \$250 while their contract or permit is pending before SCAQMD; and further prohibits a campaign contribution from being made for three (3) months following the date of the final decision by the Governing Board or the MSRC on a donor's contract or permit. Gov't Code §84308(d). For purposes of reaching the \$250 limit, the campaign contributions of the bidder or contractor plus contributions by its parents, affiliates, and related companies of the contractor or bidder are added together. 2 C.C.R. §18438.5.

In addition, SCAQMD Board Members or members/alternates of the MSRC must abstain from voting on a contract or permit if they have received a campaign contribution from a party or participant to the proceeding, or agent, totaling more than \$250 in the 12-month period prior to the consideration of the item by the Governing Board or the MSRC. Gov't Code §84308(c).

The list of current SCAQMD Governing Board Members can be found at SCAQMD website (www.aqmd.gov). The list of current MSRC members/alternates can be found at the MSRC website (<http://www.cleantransportationfunding.org>).

SECTION I.

Contractor (Legal Name): _____

DBA, Name _____, County Filed in _____

Corporation, ID No. _____

LLC/LLP, ID No. _____

List any parent, subsidiaries, or otherwise affiliated business entities of Contractor:
(See definition below).

SECTION II.

Has Contractor and/or any parent, subsidiary, or affiliated company, or agent thereof, made a campaign contribution(s) totaling \$250 or more in the aggregate to a current member of the South Coast Air Quality Management Governing Board or member/alternate of the MSRC in the 12 months preceding the date of execution of this disclosure?

☐ Yes ☐ No **If YES, complete Section II below and then sign and date the form.
If NO, sign and date below. Include this form with your submittal.**

Campaign Contributions Disclosure, *continued*:

Name of Contributor _____

Governing Board Member or MSRC Member/Alternate	Amount of Contribution	Date of Contribution
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Name of Contributor _____

Governing Board Member or MSRC Member/Alternate	Amount of Contribution	Date of Contribution
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Name of Contributor _____

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Name of Contributor _____

Governing Board Member or MSRC Member/Alternate	Amount of Contribution	Date of Contribution
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I declare the foregoing disclosures to be true and correct.

By: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

DEFINITIONS

Parent, Subsidiary, or Otherwise Related Business Entity (2 Cal. Code of Regs., §18703.1(d).)

- (1) Parent subsidiary. A parent subsidiary relationship exists when one corporation directly or indirectly owns shares possessing more than 50 percent of the voting power of another corporation.
- (2) Otherwise related business entity. Business entities, including corporations, partnerships, joint ventures and any other organizations and enterprises operated for profit, which do not have a parent subsidiary relationship are otherwise related if any one of the following three tests is met:
 - (A) One business entity has a controlling ownership interest in the other business entity.
 - (B) There is shared management and control between the entities. In determining whether there is shared management and control, consideration should be given to the following factors:
 - (i) The same person or substantially the same person owns and manages the two entities;
 - (ii) There are common or commingled funds or assets;
 - (iii) The business entities share the use of the same offices or employees, or otherwise share activities, resources or personnel on a regular basis;
 - (iv) There is otherwise a regular and close working relationship between the entities; or
 - (C) A controlling owner (50% or greater interest as a shareholder or as a general partner) in one entity also is a controlling owner in the other entity.



South Coast Air Quality Management District

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Direct Deposit Authorization

STEP 1: Please check all the appropriate boxes

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Individual (Employee, Governing Board Member) | <input type="checkbox"/> New Request |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vendor/Contractor | <input type="checkbox"/> Cancel Direct Deposit |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Changed Information | |

STEP 2: Payee Information

Last Name	First Name	Middle Initial	Title
Vendor/Contractor Business Name (if applicable)			
Address		Apartment or P.O. Box Number	
City	State	Zip	Country
Taxpayer ID Number	Telephone Number	Email Address	

Authorization

1. I authorize South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) to direct deposit funds to my account in the financial institution as indicated below. I understand that the authorization may be rejected or discontinued by SCAQMD at any time. If any of the above information changes, I will promptly complete a new authorization agreement. If the direct deposit is not stopped before closing an account, funds payable to me will be returned to SCAQMD for distribution. This will delay my payment.
2. This authorization remains in effect until SCAQMD receives written notification of changes or cancellation from you.
3. I hereby release and hold harmless SCAQMD for any claims or liability to pay for any losses or costs related to insufficient fund transactions that result from failure within the Automated Clearing House network to correctly and timely deposit monies into my account.

STEP 3:

You must verify that your bank is a member of an Automated Clearing House (ACH). Failure to do so could delay the processing of your payment. You must attach a voided check or have your bank complete the bank information and the account holder must sign below.

To be Completed by your Bank

Staple Voided Check Here	Name of Bank/Institution		
	Account Holder Name(s)		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Saving <input type="checkbox"/> Checking	Account Number	Routing Number
	Bank Representative Printed Name	Bank Representative Signature	Date
	ACCOUNT HOLDER SIGNATURE:		Date

For SCAQMD Use Only

Input By _____

Date _____